UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Council Meeting to be held on Monday Tuesday, October 14th, at 11 A.M. in the General Staff Branch Committee Room, Army Headquarters.

A G E N D A

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 20th May 1924.

2. To consider the auditors' report and balance sheet for the year ending 31st December 1923.

3. To approve the appointment of Major R. J. Dunn as Secretary from a date to be fixed by the Executive Committee, vice Major C.A. Bird, D.S.O., M.C.

4. To confirm the award of Macgregor Memorial medals for 1924 recommended by H.E. the Commander-in-Chief.

5. To consider proposals regarding the Staff.

6. Any other business.

PROCEEDINGS OF A COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14th, 1924, at 11 a.m.

PRESENT:-

Major General G.N. Cory, Offg. C.G.S. (President)
Major General Sir T.H.de V. Atkinson K.B.E.
Major General R.C. MacWatt.
Major General O.A. Robinson.
J. Crerar Esq.
Colonel W.L.O. Twiss.
Colonel P.R. Chambers.
Major E.M. Little.
Major W.R. Meredith.
Major G.de La P. Beresford.

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1. The minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 20th May 1924 were read and confirmed.

Accounts. 2. The report of the auditors for the year ending 31st December 1923 was read, and the balance sheet for the same period was passed.

The Secretary explained that some of the recommendations of the auditors had already been given effect to, and that steps were being taken to do so in the case of others, from 1st January 1925.

The President intimated that the printed balance sheet should be circulated with the notice convening the meeting in order that it could be studied beforehand.

It was agreed that a notice regarding the Institution should be sent to Officers arriving in Simla, and to Unattached List Officers and British Units arriving in India during the trooping season.

Secretary. 3. The Secretary stated that Major E.J. Ross had accepted the invitation to take over the duties of Secretary. The appointment of Major E.J. Ross as officiating Secretary for the remainder of the year, i.e. until 31st March 1925, was

approved

periodicals for sale; the names of competitors to be registered and a ballot be held to determine the disposal of each paper.

7. The Committee confirmed the arrangements made by the Secretary in respect of the advertisements for the Journal.

8. A letter dated 22/10/33 from Brigadier W.D.Croft,C.M.G.,D.S.O., was read and considered. It was decided that, in future, the nom-de-plume of unsuccessful competitors in the annual Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, be published in the Journal.

9. A letter dated 12/10/33, from Lloyds Bank, regarding the heirs of the late General Sir Charles MacGregor, was read and the contents noted.

10. The President read the Secretary's report on the working of the Institution for 1933 and the Committee noted that the affairs of the Istitution are in a very satisfactory position.

11. The correspondence with the Secretary, U.S.Club, Ltd,re the ground lease of the building of the U.S.I.,was read. The Committee decided that the proposed new clause 3 of the lease, as proposed by the Secretary, U.S.Club,Ltd,could not be accepted. It was explained that in the first instance the Committees of the R.U.S.I. of India and the U.S.Club,Ltd.respectively, agreed to the renewal of the ground lease"on the same terms as before", hence the objection to clause 3 of the lease, providing for the valuation to be undertaken by Arbitrators in the event of one or both parties being unwilling to renew on its expiration 25 years hence,must be adhered to.

12. The Committee decided that Capt.W.E.Maxwell should continue in the appointment of Secretary for a further period of one year.

13. A statement was read re the tactical schemes, precis of lectures and promotion examination papers notified for sale to members in the pages of the Journal. It was decided that the existing procedure be followed and that no useful purpose would be served by re-introducing promotion examination papers.

14. The Committee approved of the recommendation that, in future, the subject or subjects chosen for the annual Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition be published in July each year for general information.

Approved with effect from 1st November 1924, and the Secretary was instructed to inform the bankers of the Institution accordingly.

MacGregor Memorial Medal.

4. The recommendations of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief for the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medals for 1924 were confirmed.

Staff.

5. The Secretary stated that, in accordance with the decision of the Executive Committee, 6 months' notice had been given to the present librarian, Miss Sussens, in view of her wish to proceed Home next Spring.- It was therefore necessary to make arrangements for her replacement, and in order to do so the following proposals were approved:-

(i) That Mr. Badri Pershad, a recent graduate in history at the Punjab University, should be offered the appointment, and that if he accepts he should be placed under training on the following terms:-

(a) While under training as Librarian he shall be appointed as typist and assistant to Superintendent, on a salary of Rs.50/-(fifty) per mensem from 1st November 1924, to date of appointment, plus Rs.20/- Winter Allowance, from 1st November 1924.

(b) On appointment as Librarian he shall receive a salary of Rs.100-10-150 p.m. The actual date of appointment will depend on the date the present librarian vacates which will be in March or April 1925.

(c) On first appointment under (a) he shall sign an agreement to serve for at least 12 months as librarian from the date of appointment under (3).

(ii) That the services of the present part-time typist shall be dispensed with from 1st November 1924, with a month's bonus.

6. It was proposed by the Quartermaster General "that no ladies should be admitted to lectures of the U.S.I. except in cases of lecture of a non-professional character". After careful consideration it was decided

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President's Reports

~~Treasurer's Reports~~

1) 1923
2) 1924
3) 1925 ~~[redacted]~~
4) 1926
5) 1927
6) 1928
7) 1929
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9) 1931
10) 1932
11) 1933 ~~[redacted Secretary]~~
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12) 1934.
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18) 1940
19) 1941
20) 1942
21) 1943
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Council Meeting

21/ 22 May 1942

22/ 19 May 1943.

23/ 24 May 1944

20 - 17 Sep 1941

Council Meetings

~~1924~~

~~Missing Reports~~

~~1926~~

1) 14 Dec 1924.

2) 22 Mar 1925

3) 14 Oct 1925

4) 5 May 1926

5) 15 Sep 1926

6) 26 May 1927

7) 23 May 1928.

8) 16 May 1930

9) 19 May 1931.

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12) 30 May 1934.

13) 4 Jul 1935

14) 2 Jun 1936

15) 18 May 1937.

16) 21 Jan. 1938.

17) 19 May 1938

18) 17 May 1939

19) 22 May 1940

20) 17 Sep 1941

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24) 20 Dec 1932

25) — 23 May 1933

26) 23 Jun 1933. — Private vessel (Our Pilot Boat)

27) 1 Aug 1933

28) 12 Sep 33

31) 14 Mar 1934.

32) 30 May 1934

33) 24 Sep 1934

34) 24 Apr 1935.

35) 4 Jul 1935

36) 2 Jun 1936

37) 17 May 1937

38) — 21 Jun 1938

39) — 5 May 1938.

40) 4 May 1939.

41) 6 May 1940.

42) 26 May 1941

43) 11 May 1942

44) 18 Sep 1942

45) 18 May 1943

46) 25 May 1944

47) 28 Apr 1945

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Executive Meetings

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4 Sep 1924 — Hubert

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22) 9 Sep 1931

23) 1 Jul 1932

24) 14 Oct 1932

that it was undesirable to lay down a hard and fast rule in the matter, and that the procedure adopted this year of whereby lectures of a confidential or specially technical nature are run under the auspices of the General Staff would meet the case.

Gold Medal Prize Essay. 1923-24.

7. The Secretary explained that in order to publish the results in the October Journal, the reports of the Judges were circulated to Members of the Council.- The result of the Competition was as follows:-

Order of merit.	Nom-de-plume.	Author.
1.	The Mills of God grind slowly but they grind exceedingly small.	Major C.F. Stoehr R.E
2.	Selvitur ambulando.	Captain Birdwood.
3.	Delhi dur hai	Major B.G. Peel.
4.	Sublata causa tollitur effectus.	Capt. A.S. Brooke.

It was decided that as no essay was considered to have reached the standard required for the Gold Medal, this should not be awarded, but that the money prize of Rs.150/- should be divided, Rs.100/- to the 1st and Rs.50/- to the second.

A vote of thanks to the Judges was passed.

Fauji Akhbar.

8. A representation was received from the Editor "Fauji Akhbar" regarding the cessation of subscription by the U.S.I. - The Secretary explained that as practically all the magazines received in the Institution are by exchange, and as the Fauji Akhbar appeared to be never looked at in the Reading Room the subscription was discontinued when it expired.- This action was concurred in.

It was agreed that if desired an advertisement regarding the Fauji Akhbar, giving subscription rates &c would be published gratis in the Journal.

Books.

9. The Secretary asked that the Executive Committee be given a general authority to dispose of certain books such as the proceedings of the Smithsonian Institute (New York), & the Library of Literature. The Council directed that a list of such books &c should be prepared and submitted to the Council for approval.

Application from Mr. MadanGopal.

10. An application from ~~Mr.~~ M.Madan Gopal for additional remuneration of Rs.400/- for his work on re-cataloguing the Library.- It was decided that this should be settled by the Executive Committee subject to a maximum of Rs.100/-.

Vote of thanks to Secretary.

11. A vote of thanks was passed to Major C.A. Bird D.S.O., R.E., for his work as Secretary.

United Service Institution of INDIA.

NOTICE.

THE

Annual General Meeting of the above Institution

WILL BE HELD

On Monday, 20th October 1924,
at 3-30 p.m.

In the luncheon Room,
Army Head Quarters, Simla

Proxy forms may be obtained
ON
Application to the Secretary.

AGENDA.

1. To read the Presidents report for 1923.
2. To discuss any question which may be brought before the meeting.

C A. BIRD,
Major, R. E.
Secretary, United Service Institution of India.

Proceedings of a General Meeting held on
Monday, 20th October 1924.

A quorum of 20 members being present, the President read his report for 1923, a copy of which is attached.

2. Amendments to the Rules, Bye-laws and Library Rules rendered necessary to bring them up-to-date in conformity with the changes in the amounts of subscription, and the composition of the Council were unanimously approved.

R. W. Raza & Co. C. A. S.

PRESIDENT
COUNCIL OF THE U. S. I. OF INDIA.

President's Report for 1923.

MEMBERSHIP

On 1st January 1923 the membership was

Ordinary Members	1177	
Life Members	373	1550

on the 31st December 1923 the membership was

Ordinary Members	1121	
Life Members	406	1527

a net decrease of 23.

The number of subscribers to the Journal other than members increased from 94 to 110.

FINANCE

The Balance sheet for 1923 shows excess of income over expenditure of Rs.2,456/11/- as compared with a deficit of Rs.621/-/- for the previous year. This excess is however subject to reduction by such amounts as may have to be written off as irrecoverable from subscribers. It will be seen that the arrears of subscriptions outstanding amount to Rs.6,487/12/1. This is due in part to the failure of subscribers to instruct their Bankers to pay the enhanced subscription, and to the fact that a considerable number of subscribers still remained untraced. Action has been and is still being taken to go through the ledger accounts systematically and endeavour to recover, or to strike off those who definitely cannot be traced. The Auditors in their report which is before you have drawn particular attention to this point, and have also made suggestions for improvement in the method of keeping the accounts especially from an audit point of view.

Steps

Steps are being taken to give effect to their recommendations, but the latter all tend to emphasize the necessity for employing a whole time Superintendent. This point has since received the attention of the Committee and Council.

LIBRARY

The re-classification and re-cataloguing of the library was taken in hand and has since been completed.

GENERAL.

The general activities of the Institution showed an increase, due mainly to conditions becoming more settled. This has been maintained, and it is hoped that this will be reflected in the report of 1924.

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 22nd May 1925.

Present.

~~Major General G.N.Cory,C.B.,D.S.O.~~ (President)

Major G.de la P.Beresford,M.C.

Major General H.E. ap R.Pryce,C.M.G.,D.S.O. (acting President)

Colonel J.H.F.Lakin,C.S.I.

Major H.G.Martin,D.S.O.,O.B.E.,R.A.

Colonel on the Staff N.L.O.Twiss,C.B.E.,M.C.

Secretary.

Major E.J.Ross,M.B.

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1. The following were elected members of the Executive Committee:-

Group Captain J.H.Chamier,C.M.G.,D.S.O.,O.B.E.

Captain J.G.Smyth,V.C.,M.C.

Major G.V.Heriz-Smith,O.B.E.,M.C.

Major E.M.Little,O.B.E.,R.A.

Major C.M.G.Manners,D.S.O.,M.C.

2. Considered a letter from Lieut Colonel G.D.Martin,M.C. Headquarters Northern Command, suggesting that the dates for the annual Gold Medal Prize Essay be November instead of June.

Resolved that no change be made.

A G E N D A.

(1) To read and confirm the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 14th October 1924.

(2) To elect from the Council a President and 6 members to form the Executive Committee.

(3) To consider the appointment of a Secretary from March 1st. (Vide Note "A")

(4) To confirm certain action of the Secretary, and to consider proposals relating to the Staff. (Vide Notes "B" & "C")

(5) To consider the question of lectures during the coming season.

(6) To appoint 5 Judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay for 1924-25.

(7) To consider a letter from Lloyds Bank Ltd.

(8) To consider the question of dealing with accounts of certain members which are much in arrears. (Note "D")

(9) To consider preliminary proposals for revising the present accounts system. (Note "E")

N O T E. *A*

Major L.J.Ross was only appointed up to March 31st, vide minute below.

Extract from Proceedings of a Council meeting held on Tuesday, October 14th 1924, at 11 a.m.

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"The appointment of Major L.J.Ross, as officiating Secretary for the remainder of the year i.e. until 31st March 1925, was approved with effect from 1st November 1924, and the Secretary was instructed to inform the Bankers of the Institution accordingly".

Lieut General.

Sgd. A.Aikeen. President,

Council of the United Service Institution of India.

I, on behalf of the Council of the Institution, hereby authorize major L.J. Ross to officiate as Secretary of the Institution from April 1st 1925, until such time as a Secretary may be definitely appointed at a meeting of the Council.

Lieut General.

President.

Sgd. A.Aikeen.

Council of the United Service Institution of India.

NOTE "B"

I sanction the following in anticipation of confirmation ~~by the Executive Committee~~:-

(1) Mr Badri Parshad to be given winter allowance for March 1925 as under:-

From 1st to 16th inclusive (when he was drawing pay of Rs 50/- p.m) @ Rs 20/- p.m. This was included in pay for March.

From 17th to 31st inclusive (when he was drawing pay of Rs.100/- p.m.) @ Rs 25/. p.m. This has been included in pay for April.

(2) Mr Shiv Singh Verma to be engaged as a whole time assistant from 13/4/25 on a salary of Rs 50/- p.m.: on probation to the end of April 1925 or until the will of the Council is known. If confirmed, the services of Mr U.C.Banerjee part time assistant, to be dispensed with. He has not been given notice pending orders of the Council.

(Mr Banerjee has worked for the Institution since 1/2/23, Salary Rs. 30/- p.m.)

Sd. E.J. Rees Maj

Secretary, United Service Institution of India.

NOTE "C"

Statement showing saving that will be effected on the new office establishment proposed by Secretary.

APPOINTMENTS.	SALARIES.		
	April 1924. (whole time Superintendent & 2 part time Clerks)	April 1925. (part time Superintendent & 1 whole time & 1 part time Clerks)	As proposed. (part time Superintendent & 1 whole time Clerk)
Secretary	Rs.150/-/-	Rs.150/-/-	Rs150/-/-
Superintendent	" 150/-/-	" 120/-/-	" 120/-/-
Librarian	" 140/-/-	" 100/-/-	" 100/-/-
Assistants:- 1(part time)	" 30/-/-	" 30/-/-	.....
1(whole time) ~~for 4 month~~	"	" 30/-/-(on trial)	" 30/-/-(with an increase of Rs 10/- after 3 months)
Typist:- 1 (part time)	" 20/-/-	.....	.....
Menials	" 43/-/-	" 43/-/-	" 43/-/-
	Rs.933/-/-	Rs.473/-/-	Rs.463/-/-

Saving Rs 70/-
or
excluding pay of Librarian, Rs 30/- p.m.

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* from 13th to 30th April

NOTE "D"

(1) A list of members owing three years subscriptions or more will be placed on the table. This list shows a total due on this account of Rs 3631/4/-.

(2) A certain number of these members are untraceable and the debts are obviously bad.

(3) The Secretary suggests that he be authorised to go through this list with one other member and strike off all debts which are obviously irrecoverable. These to be written off after approval by the Committee.

(4) Remaining members in default to be written to by Secretary as follows, by registered post.

(a) Ask if he wishes to remain a member.

(b) If so, that it is proposed to send the next copy of the Journal V.P.P. to him for the value of his outstanding subscriptions.

(5) This procedure to be adopted in future in the case of all members who owe two years subscriptions.

NOTE "A"

(1) The accounts of the Institute appear to be kept in a very cumbersome form, considering the smallness of the income to be considered.

(2) The present system, especially the members ledger, makes it an extremely difficult task to watch recoveries etc accurately.

(3) This system, is at least to some extent, responsible for the heavy arrears in some members accounts, owing to the mechanical labour involved in checking whether or not subsns: have been paid and reminders issued.

(4) A large amount of clerical labour is involved in posting up the accounts, in proportion to the amounts with which we are concerned.

(5) The Secretary suggests that he be authorised to call in the assistance of an officer who is an expert in such matters, that the present system be ~~xxxx~~ examined with a view to introducing a simpler system, and one more in accordance with the auditors requirements.

(6) Specimens of the present account books will be placed on the table.

Minutes of a COUNCIL MEETING held in the General Staff Committee Room on the 22nd May 1925, at 9-15 A.M.

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PRESENT.

Lt General Sir A.Skeen,K.C.B.,K.C.I.E.,C.M.G. (President)

E.Burden Esq,C.I.E.,I.C.S.

The Hon'ble Mr J.Crerar,C.S.I.,C.I.E.

Denys Bray Esq,C.S.I.,C.I.E.,C.B.E.

Lt General Sir J.S.M.Shea,K.C.B.,K.C.M.G.,D.S.O.,A.D.C.

Lt General The Hon'ble Sir A.R.Montagu-Stuart-Wortley, K.C.B.,K.C.M.G., D.S.O.

Major-General Sir E.H.de V.Atkinson,K.B.E.,C.B.,C.M.G., C.I.E.

Major-General R.N.Harvey,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.

The Hon'ble Major-General Sir C.MacWatt,Kt.C.I.E.,etc.

Major-General O.L.Robinson,C.B.,C.M.G.,K.H.P.

Colonel on the Staff W.L.O.Twiss,C.B.E.,M.C.

Major-General G.N.Cory,C.B.,D.S.O.

Major-General H.E.ap R.Pryce,C.M.G.,D.S.O.

Colonel J.H.F.Lakin,C.S.I.

Major H.G.Martin,D.S.O.,O.B.E.,R.A.

Major G.de la P.Beresford,M.C.

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P.T.O

(1) The minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 14th October 1924 were read and confirmed.

(2) The following were elected to serve on the Executive Committee:-

President. Major-General G.N.Cory,C.B.,D.S.O.

Members:- Major-General H.E. ap R.Pryce,C.M.G.,D.S.O.
Colonel on the Staff R.J.Collins,C.M.G.,D.S.O.
Colonel J.H.F.Lakin,C.S.I.
Major-General C.A.C.Godwin,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.
Major H.G.Martin,D.S.O.,O.B.E.,R.A.
Major G.de la P.Beresford,M.C.
Colonel on the Staff W.L.O.Twiss,O.B.E.,M.C. (D.M.O) ex-officio.

(3) Major E.J.Ross,M.C. was appointed Secretary from 1st April 1925 to 31st March 1926.

(4) The following alterations in Establishment were approved:-

The appointment of a prt time Superintendent on Rs.120/- per mensem with effect from 1st April 1925 was confirmed (the full time Superintendent having resigned).

The appointment of a full time clerk on Rs 50/- /- per mensem with effect from the 13th April 1925 was confirmed. Salary to be raised to Rs 60/- per mensem after 3 months subject to his work proving satisfactory.

The services of the present part time clerk to be dispensed with.

The payment of winter allowance to the Librarian for March 1925, as proposed by Secretary, was approved.

(5) The Secretary was empowered to invite the following officers to lecture during the coming season:-

Major R.W.G.Hingston,M.C.,I.M.S. Mount Everest Expedition.

Colonel on the Staff G.C.Sturrock,F.I.C.,A.I.E. M.G.S. Branch.

The Air Vice Marshall. .

Sir John Marshall,Kt.C.I.E.,etc. Archaeological discoveries in India.

Sir Peter Clutterbuck,Kt.C.I.E.,etc. Forest Development in India.

(6) The following were appointed judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay for the year 1924-25:-
Lt General Sir A.Skeen,K.C.B.,etc.
G.Mackworth Young,Esq,I.C.S.
Major-General H.E.ap R.Pryce,C.M.G.,etc.

(7) The Secretary was directed to supply "Authority No.5" to Lloyds Bank Ltd. Simla, in respect of the MacGregor Memorial Fund.

(8) The question of members accounts in arrears was discussed. The Secretary was empowered to act as follows:-

(a) To go through, with another member, such accounts and strike off such as are obviously bad debts.

(b) To write to other members in debt and ask if they wish to remain members.

(c) If a reply is received in the affirmative, to post next copy of the Journal to them V.P.P. for the amount of arrears due.

(d) To write to members and ascertain if they have any objection to having the first copy of the Journal every year posted to them V.P.P. for the amount of their annual subscription.

(9) The Secretary was empowered to examine the existing accounts and to put forward proposals for a simpler system.

(Executive Committee meeting. 22nd June 1925)

1. To confirm the minutes of the Committee meetings held on 4th September 1924 and 22nd July 1925.

2. To consider the question of audit of accounts for 1924. The accounts for 1923 were audited by Messrs T.N.P.Aiyar & Co for a fee of Rs 250/-/-.

3. To pass the premia awarded for the April Journal.

4. To consider the award of McGregor Memorial Medals for 1925.

5. To consider an application from Mr Baden Gopal for additional payment for re-cataloguing the Library. Referred by the Council subject to a maximum of Rs 100/-/-.

6. To consider a letter from the D.P.O.S. re Spar Trophies.

7. To consider a letter from the Secretary, Punjab Public Library.

8. To consider Secretary's proposals re the Librarian.

Re Ramanathan & Lords. Sarkonam Jr.
medals. Re Lantern at Mel. Lectures.

Minutes of an EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING held in the General Staff Committee Room on the 22nd June 1925, at 3-0 p.m.

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PRESENT.

Maj.-Gen. Sir G. N. Cay K.B.E, C.B, D.S.O.
Major-General W. E. ap R. Pryce C.B. C.M.G. D.S.O. (Chairman)
Major H.G. Martin D.S.O. O.B.E. R.A.
" L. de la P. Beresford M.C.
Temp Capt. J.R. Chenier O.B. C.M.G. D.S.O. O.B.E.
Major E.M.S. Manners D.S.O. M.C.
Capt. J.C. Smyth V.C. M.C.
Major D.M. Little O.B.E. R.A.
Col.-on-the Staff M.J.O. Twiss C.B.E. M.C.

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1. The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 4th September 1924 and 22nd May 1925 were read and confirmed.

2. It was decided to ask Messrs P.N.S.Aiyar & Co to audit the accounts for 1924.

3. The premia awarded for articles and reviews in the January and April 1925 issues of the Journal were approved.

4. The following were selected for the award of the McGregor Memorial Medals for the year 1925, subject to the approval of the Council:-

(i) Silver Medal for officers.

Captain C.R.Spear, 5/13th F.F. Rifles.

(ii) Silver Medal for soldiers, with gratuity of Rs 100/-

Naik Jabbar Khan, 5/13th F.F. Rifles.

5. It was decided to pay Mr Madan Gopal Rs 100/- for additional work in connection with the re-cataloguing of the Library.

6. It was decided to hand over the war trophies held in deposit in the Ferozepore Arsenal for the U.S.I. to the War Museum of the Prince of Wales' Royal Indian Military College, Dehra Dun: the trophies to be marked "Lent by the U.S.I. of India".

7. The Secretary was directed to inform the Secretary Punjab Public Library, Lahore, that the U.S.I. is not desirous of joining in the scheme for grouping libraries for the purpose of inter-borrowing etc of books.

8. The question of remuneration to Conductor Saunderson for operating the lantern for U.S.I. lectures during 1925 was considered. The matter was left to the Secretary to settle.

9. It was decided to accept the resignation of the Librarian (Mr Badri Prasad).

10. Major M.N. Carruthers was elected a member of the Executive Committee in place of Major ~~E.M.Little~~ Heriz-Smith who is leaving Simla.

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A G E N D A.

1. To confirm the minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 22nd June 1925. confirmed
2. To pass the premia awarded for the July Journal. passed.
3. To consider the award of the Judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition.

Awards were & no cards to be presented.

Minutes of an EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING held in the General Staff Committee Room on the 13th August 1925, at 2-30 P-M-

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PRESENT.

Major-General Sir G.N.Cory,K.B.E.,C.B.,D.S.O.(President).
Major-General H.E. ap R.Pryce,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.
Colonel on the Staff W.L.O.Twiss,C.B.E.,M.C.
Colonel J.H.F.Lakin,C.S.I.
Major G. de la P.Beresford.M.C.
Major H.G.Martin,D.S.O.,O.B.E.,R.A.
Major C.M.S.Manners,D.S.O.,M.C.
Major N.M.Carruthers.
Captain J.G.Smyth,V.C.,M.C.

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1. The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 22nd June 1925 were read and confirmed.
2. The premia awarded for articles and reviews in the July 1925 issue of the Journal were approved.
3. The Committee examined the report of the Judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition It was decided, subject to confirmation by the Council, not to make any award nor to publish any of the essays submitted.
4. It was decided to give Lloyds Bank, Simla, a general Power of Attorney for the purpose of realising Devidends on the Bombay Port Trust Debentures held by the Institution.
5. The principle of payment by the General Staff Branch to the ~~xxx~~ Institution on account of arrangements for lectures was accepted. Details to be arranged direct by Secretary.

Suggested subjects for essays and tutorials
May 1935-36.

1. "Musketry training involves a large expenditure of time and ammunition to obtain what is admittedly a satisfactory standard.

In view of the high degree of marksmanship attained by officers - e.g., the North East Frontier Criterion- with less ammunition, can our system be improved upon so as to maintain a high standard of individual skill with the rifle with less labour than is now the case."

2. "The problem of the Covering Force in India - its composition, its distribution and its duties in Peace and War".

3. "The effect of an efficient enemy air force on our Emergency tactics and communication if engaged in a major war beyond the N.W. Frontier of India".

4. "Uniformity of Imperial organisation and training has been a guiding principle of post-war military re-organisation throughout the Empire. Discuss this principle, with special reference to the Army in India and its primary role of Indian defence".

5. "How far are modern developments in A.F. and in the employment of aircraft likely to effect our future Frontier policy and our tactics and military organisation for future Frontier warfare?"

6. "Mechanical inventions such as aeroplanes, tanks, armoured cars and mechanical transport are now integral parts of our military forces. To what extent have and will they effect our Frontier problem?"

7. "Bearing in mind the responsibility of the British Government for the well being of the Empire as a whole, discuss the progressive steps to be taken to create an Indian Army commanded, trained and administered by Indians, and to be able of affording that support to a self governed India which she will be unable to take her place in the Empire on terms of co-partnership".

8. "The problem of supporting troops in the field on the Frontier of India is changing its form owing to the gradual introduction of roads and railways, and the substitution of new forms of transport for the old animal transport. How best can this change be effected?"

9. "Discuss the future co-operation of all arms on the Frontier of India, with special reference to aircraft and mechanically propelled vehicles, and to communications of all kinds."

Proceedings of an Executive Committee meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room on Thursday the 10th September 1925, at 3-0 p.m.

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PRESENT:-

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1. The minutes of the Committee meeting held on the 13th August 1925 were read and confirmed.

2. The following alternative subjects were selected for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition 1925-26:-

(i) Suggested by the Air Vice Marshal, Comdg: R.A.F. in India.

The effect of an efficient enemy air force on our strategy, tactics and communications if engaged in a major war on or beyond the N.W.Frontier of India.

(ii) Suggested by Colonel J.H.F.Lakin,C.S.I.

Bearing in mind the responsibility of the British Government for the well being of the Empire as a whole, discuss the progressive steps to be taken to create an Indian Army commanded, trained and administered by Indians and capable of affording that support to a self governed India without which she will be unable to take her place in the Empire on terms of co-partnership.

3. It was decided that the bill of Messrs Nilmoney Halder & Co, Calcutta for Rs 131/8/- be paid and that the same amount, shewn as having been paid to the Firm from Regtl Cash on 17/5/23, be written off.

File No.1615.

A G E N D A.

1. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 10th September 1925.

2. To consider the auditors report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1924.

3. To confirm the appointment of Mrs E.Power as Librarian on a salary of Rs 100-10-150.

4. To consider a letter from Colonel C.Beatson (reference rule No.13 of the Rules of Membership).

5. Any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

Minutes of a meeting of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held on the 12th October 1925, at 3-0 p.m.

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PRESENT.

Major-General Sir G.N.Cory,K.B.E.,C.B.,D.S.O.

Major H.G.Martin,D.S.O.,O.B.E.,R.A.

Major N.M.Carruthers.

Major C.M.S.Manners,D.S.O.,M.C.

Colonel on the Staff W.L.O.Twiss,C.B.E.,M.C.

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1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 10th September 1925. were read and confirmed.

2. The auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1924 were passed for presentation to the Council.

3. The appointment of Mrs E.Power as librarian from 7th September 1925 at a salary of Rs 100-10-150 was approved.

4. It was decided to take up the question of ammending rule 13 of the Rules of Membership so as to abolish altogether "foreign postage" charges.

5. An application for Journal from Messrs Zeitungs-Zentrale (Z-Z) Aktiengesellschaft, Berlin, was considered and it was decided that Journal can be supplied on prepayment.

C.a.i. Godwin Major-General.
per President.
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A.

(Council Meeting, 14th October 1925)

1. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 22nd May 1925.

2. To consider the auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1924. ✓

3. To confirm the award of McGregor Memorial Medals for 1925.

4. *To confirm the decision of the judges in the Gold ~~Medals~~ Medal Essay Competition 1925. ✓

5. To confirm the selection by the Executive Committee of subjects for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition 1926. /

6. Any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

Minutes of a COUNCIL MEETING held in the Officer's Luncheon Room, Army Headquarters, Simla, on the 14th October 1925, at 3-0 p.m.

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PRESENT.

Lt General Sir A.Skeen,K.C.B.,K.C.I.E.,C.M.G. (President)
E.Burden Esq, C.I.E.,I.C.S.
The Hon'ble Mr J.Crerar,C.S.I.,C.I.E.
Sir Denys Bray,K.C.I.E,C.S.I.,C.B.E.
Lt General Sir J.S.M.Shea,K.C.B.,K.C.M.G.,D.S.O.,A. .C.
Major-General Sir Edwin H.de V.Atkinson,K.B.E.,C.B., .M.G.,
Air Vice Marshal Sir Edward L.Ellington,K.C.B.,C.M.G.,C.B.E.,
The Hon'ble Major-General Sir R.C.MacWatt,Kt,C.I.E.,M.B., F.R.C.S., .R.C.P.E.,I.M.S.
Colonel on the Staff W.L.O.Twiss,C.I.E.,M.C.
Major-General Sir G.N.Cory,K.B.E.,C.B.,D.S.O.
Major H.G.Martin,D.S.O.,O.B.E.,R.A.
Major-General C.A.C.Godwin,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.

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1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 22nd May 1925 were read and confirmed.

2. The auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1924 were passed.

3. The award of McGregor Memorial Medals for 1925 was confirmed.

4. The decision of the judges in the Gold Medal Essay competition 1925 was confirmed. A vote of thanks to the judges was passed.

5. The selection by the Executive Committee of subjects for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition 1926 was approved.

Lt General.
President,
Council of the United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

N O T I C E.

The annual General Meeting of the above Institution will be held on Monday the 19th October 1925 at 3-0 p.m. in the Officer's Luncheon Room, Army Headquarters, Simla. Proxy forms may be obtained on application to the Secretary.

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A G E N D A.

1. To read the Presidents reports for 1924.
2. Any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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E.J.ROSS, Major.
Secretary, United Service Institution of India.

Proceedings of a GENERAL MEETING Held on Monday the 19th October 1925.

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A quorum of 20 members being present, the President read his report for 1924 a copy of which is attached.

Lt General.
President.
Council of the United Service Institution of India.

PRESIDENTS REPORT FOR 1924.

1. MEMBERSHIP.

On 1st January 1924 the Membership was:-

Ordinary Members	1121
Life Members	406
	Total 1527.

On 31st December 1924 the Membership was:-

Ordinary Members	1157
Life Members	428
	Total 1585.

A net increase of 58.

The number of subscribers to the Journal increased from 110 to 130.

I must remark, however, that these figures include a number of members who are untraceable and who have probably ceased to consider themselves as members. Steps are being taken to remove the names of such members from the books.

FINANCE.

The expenditure during the year has exceeded the income by Rs 1,703-5-2. This deficiency is mainly due to the heavy expense involved in the recataloguing of the library, and the printing of the new catalogue. The total cost of this amounted to Rs 1,425., but this was an urgent necessity, and, of course, will, in part at least, be recovered by the sale of catalogues.

The cost of printing the Journal also rose considerably but this, I think, is justifiable, as there is no doubt that the standard of the Journal is the chief factor on which the membership depends.

The cost of printing schemes also amounted to a fairly large item, over Rs 350. This amount has now been more than recovered during the present year by the sale of schemes.

It will be noted that the subscriptions from Life members and for entrance fees have been treated as income, instead of as capital as they should have been. This is an unfortunate necessity at present, but there is no other alternative until there is a great increase in membership.

The Journal costs in the neighbourhood of Rs 2,500. a quarter to print and issue. If we appreciably lower the standard of the Journal we automatically preclude the possibility of a rise in membership. I may mention that the increase in membership during the current year appears to justify the policy of maintaining the standard of the Journal, and after all there appears to be no valid reason for building up a large capital reserve at the expense of present members.

Of the large sum of Rs 8,844-2-11 shown in the Auditors report as due from members and subscribers, a total of approximately Rs 3000. has been recovered during the current year, while Rs 2506-15-0 is being written off as non-recoverable. This sum is due from members whose address cannot be traced, who have retired or died. Endeavours are being made to secure payment of the remainder. It should be noticed that the whole of the amount written off does not mean a dead loss to the Institute, since a large proportion of the subscriptions shown as due are subscriptions which have fallen due since the members became untraceable and after we had ceased sending out Journals to them.

With regard to para 6 of the Auditors report, steps are being taken to have this system ready to introduce from the 1st January 1926. It is not considered practicable to alter the present system in the middle of the working year.

ESTABLISHMENT. In the Presidents report for 1923 it was suggested that a full time Superintendent should be appointed. This was done, but the experiment was far from a success. The fact is that it is impossible, at the rates we can afford to pay, to get an European superintendent as a full time man who is of any value at all. The routine work of the Institute in consequence suffered very severly, and such matters as sending out reminders to members were not properly attended to. This resulted in a very bad collection of subscriptions.

We have since reverted to a [illegible] who is keen and energetic, and there has been a distinct improvement in this respect.

LIBRARY. The re-classification and recataloguing of the Library was completed. The Catalogue was printed up, and is now on sale.

TACTICAL SCHEMES. A number of schemes have been prepared, the majority based on the lectures given to Staff College Students class held in Simla. These are now on sale and there appears to be a considerable demand for them.

Lieut-General.
President
Council of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for

Committee Meeting to be held on the 6th April 1926.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 12th October 1925.
2. To consider the auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1925.
3. To approve, as required by the auditors, the balances due from and to members and subscribers which have been written off.
4. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews in the October 1925, January and April 1926 Journals.
5. To consider a letter from Sir Dennys Bray.
6. To consider a note from the General Staff French.
7. To consider the question of issuing a yearly Index to the Journal.
8. To consider the question of changing the printers of the Journal.
9. To consider a proposal regarding the staff.
10. To consider the appointment of Captain J.C.Smyth, V.C.,M.C. as Secretary vice Major E.J.Ross,M.C. subject to confirmation by the Council.

Minutes of an EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING held in the General Staff Committee Room on the 6th April 1926, at 12/noon.

PRESENT.

Major-General C.A.C.Godwin,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Major-General H.E.ap R.Pryce,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Colonel J.H.F.Lakin,CSI.
Major G.de la P.Beresford,MC.
Major N.E.Mitchell-Caruthers.
Major E.J.Rose,MC.
Captain J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC.

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1. The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 12th October 1925 were read and confirmed.

2. The auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1925 were passed for presentation to the Council.

3. The balances due from and to members and subscribers, which have been written off, were approved.

4. The prezis awarded for articles and reviews in the October 1925, January and April 1926 Journals were passed.

5. It was decided that Sir Dennys Bray should be written to, with the other members of the Council, asking if he is willing to continue to serve on the Council.

6. It was decided that the Japanese attache should be made an honorary member of the Institution and notified that the Journal can be obtained on payment.

If General Staff Branch want copies of the Journal sent to any other foreign attaches they should pay for same.

7. It was decided that a yearly index to the Journal was unnecessary.

8. It was decided that we should arrange to transfer the printing of the Journal to the Civil and Military Gazette, Lahore, from October 1926.

9. The proposal to raise the pay of the U.S.I. clerk from Rs.60/- to Rs.70/- per mensem with effect from 1st April 1926 was agreed to.

The appointment of Captain J.G.Smyth

to the approval of the Council.

11. A proposal, put forward by Major-General Godwin, seconded by Major-General H.E.ap Rhys Pryce, that the collection of medals in the Institute should be valued with a view to separate insurance, was carried.

12. The retiring Secretary wished to bring to the notice of the Committee, in order that a permanent record might be made, the excellent work performed by the Superintendent, Sub-Conductor P.W.Higgins. During the year the Superintendent has been untiring in his work on behalf of the Institution.

The Committee endorsed the retiring Secretary's opinion of Mr Higgins' work and directed that a permanent record to that effect be entered in the minute book.

Walter Leslie

A G E N D A

for

Council Meeting to be held on the 5th May 1926.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 14th October 1925.
2. To consider the auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1925.
3. To read the President's report on the years working.
4. To consider the appointment of Captain J.C.Smyth, VC., MC. as Secretary vice Major E.J.Rons, MC.
5. To elect a president and six members from the Council to form the Executive Committee.
6. To appoint 3 judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay competition.
7. To consider the question of lectures during the coming season.
8. To consider the question of inviting the Governor of Assam and the Governor of the Central Provinces to become Vice Patrons of the Institution.
9. To consider the abolition of rule 13 of the rules of membership (foreign postage) in anticipation of the approval of a General Meeting (reference item 4 of the Committee Meeting held on the 12th October 1925).
10. To consider a letter from the M.U.E.I.
11. To consider the auditor's proposals to write off a portion (Rs.1245/12/-) of the claim against the Alliance Bank.
12. To consider the adoption of a new cover for the Journal.

Minutes of a COUNCIL MEETING held in the General Staff Committee Room, on the 5th May 1926 at 10-0. a.m.

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PRESENT.

Major-General W.M.St. G.Kirke,CB.,CMG.,DSO. (President)
Sir Dennys Bray,KCIE.,CSI.,CBE.
Lieut-General The Hon'ble Sir A.Richard Montagu-Stuart-Wortley,KCB.,KCMG.,DSO.
Air Vice Marshall Sir E.L.Ellington,KCB.,CMG.,CBE.
Major-General Sir Edwin H.de V.Atkinson,KBE.,CB.,CMG.,CIE.
Major-General Sir Walter S.Leslie,KBE.,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
D.Petrie, Esq.,CIE.,CVO.,CBE.,MA.,I.P.
Major-General T.H.Symons,CSI.,OBE.,I.M.S.
Major-General R.Napier Harvey,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Major-General J.F.S.D.Coleridge,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
The Hon'ble Mr.E.Burdon,CSI.,CIE.,I.C.S.
Colonel on the Staff R.J.Collins,CMG.,DSO. (attending)
Colonel W.D.Croft,CMG.,DSO.
Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll,R.A.F.
Major G.de la P.Beresford,M.C.
Major R.G.Cherry,MC.,R.A.
Captain J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC. (Secretary)

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 14th October 1925 were read and confirmed.

2. The auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1925 was passed.

3. The President's report for 1925 was read.

4. The appointment of Captain J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC., as Secretary, vice Major E.J.Ross,MC., was confirmed.

5. The following were elected to form the Executive Committee:-

Major-Genl. Sir Walter S.Leslie,KBE.,CB.,CMG.,DSO. (President)
Major-General H.E. ap Rhys Pryce,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Colonel W.D.Croft,CMG.,DSO.
Colonel M.Saunders,DSO.
Major R.G.Cherry,MC.,R.A.
Major G.de la P.Beresford,MC.
Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll,R.A.F.

6. The following were appointed as judges for the Essay Prize Essay Competition:-

Major-General W.M.St.G.Kirke,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Major-General Sir Walter S.Leslie,KBE.,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Group Captain J.A.Chamier,CB.,CMG.,DSO.,OBE.,R.A.F.

7. It was decided that more lectures should be held than during last summer. Various suggestions were made and the details left to the Executive Committee to arrange.

8. It was decided to invite the Governor of Assam and the Governor of the Central Provinces to become Vice Patrons of the Institution.

9. It was decided to abolish rule 13 of the rules of membership (foreign postage).

10. It was decided that British Service officers of the R.U.S.I. serving in India should be admitted to the U.S.I. of India on payment of an annual subscription of Rs.10/- but that they should not be required to pay any Entrance fee. Indian Army members of the R.U.S.I. to pay the ordinary entrance fee and subscription.

We should point out to the R.U.S.I. that we were giving this concession to their members and getting nothing in return.

11. The auditor's proposal to write off a portion (Rs.1245/12/-) of the claim against the Alliance Bank was approved.

12. It was decided that the present cover for the Journal was suitable and should not be changed.

Major-General.

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

Minutes of an EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING held in the General Staff Committee Room, on the 5th May 1926 at 10-0 a.m.

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PRESENT.

Major-General Sir Walter S.Leslie,KBE.,CB.,CMG.,DSO. (President)

Colonel W.D.Croft,CMG.,DSO.

Major G.de la P.Beresford,MC.

Major R.G.Cherry,MC.,R.A.

Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll,R.A.F.

Captain J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC. (Secretary)

The following were selected to serve on the Executive Committee:-

Colonel on the Staff R.J.Collins,CMG.,DSO.

Major N.L.Mitchell-Caruthers.

Captain G.N.Molesworth.

Captain T.R.Evans.

Captain R.J.Wilkinson,OBE.,I.A.

Walter Leslie

Major-General

President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

Minutes of an EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING held in the Adjutant General's Room, on the 12th May 1926 at 10.0 a.m.

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PRESENT.

Maj.-Genl. Sir Walter S.Leslie,KBE.,CB.,CMG.,DSO.(President).
Colonel on the Staff R.J.Collins,CMG.,DSO.
Colonel W.D.Croft,CMG.,DSO.
Colonel M.Saunders,DSO.
Major G.de la P.Beresford,MC.
Major R.G.Cherry,MC.,R.A.
Major N.L.Mitchell-Caruthers.
Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll,R.A.F.
Captain G.N.Molesworth.
Captain R.J.Wilkinson,OBE.,FRGS.
Captain T.R.Evans.
Captain J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC. (Secretary)

1. The minutes of the Committee Meetings held on the 6th April and 5th May 1926 were read and confirmed.

2. It was decided that during the rains one U.S.I. lecture should be held each week when no General Staff lecture was being held.

(a) The following lectures were proposed:-

(1) by Sir Aurol Stein.

(2) On Publicity & Propaganda by Mr Coatman.

(3) Two lectures on Social problems, by Lt.Col.Haining.

(b) It was decided that Mr Haward and Colonel Crawford should be approached with a view to their giving lectures.

3. It was proposed that Sir Dennys Bray should be asked to approach Sir Aurol Stein and ask him if he would be willing to lecture to the members of the U.S.I. in Simla about the second week in August and what subject he would prefer to lecture on.

4. It was decided that we should try and hire the Simla Theatre for the lectures, provided that the charge made was not Rs.17/8/- for the hire of the theatre, with lighting [illegible]

5. It was decided that a chairman should be invited for each lecture. The names suggested were:-

(a) For Sir Aurol Stein's lecture	Sir Dennys Bray.
(b) For Mr Coatman's lecture	Mr Crerar.
(c) For Colonel Haining's lectures	Sir Charles Innes or Sir Malcolm Hailey.

Walter Lyon

Major-General.

President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 12th May 1926.
2. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews in the July 1926 Journal.
3. To consider the award of a McGregor Memorial Medal for 1926.
4. To consider the award of the Judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1925.
5. To consider suggested subjects for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1926.
6. To confirm the appointment of Miss M.McCormick as Librarian vice Mrs E.Power resigned.
7. To consider proposals regarding the Steff.
8. To hear Secretary's report regarding the U.S.I. collection of medals.
9. To consider the affiliation rules (R.U.S.I.)
10. Any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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Minutes of an EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING held in the General Staff Committee room, on the 24th August 1926 at 11-30 a.m.

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PRESENT.

Maj-Genl. Sir Walter S.Leslie,KBE.,CB.,CMG.,DSO. (President)
Colonel M.Saunders, DSO.
Major R.G.Cherry,MC.,R.A.
Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll,R.A.F.
Captain T.R.Evans.
Captain J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 12th 1926 were read and confirmed.

2. The premia awarded for articles and reviews in the July 1926 Journal was passed.

3. The award of a McGregor Memorial Medal to Major G.N.O.T. Harvey-Kelly,D.S.O., 10th Baluch Regiment, as recommended by H.E. the Commander in Chief, was approved, subject to confirmation by the Council. It was noted that there is no candidate considered suitable for the soldier's medal this year.

4. The award* of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1926, was accepted, subject to confirmation by the Council:-

*Gold Medal and honorarium of Rs.150/- to Major L.E.Denning, M.C., 4/12th Frontier Force Regiment.

5. The following subjects were chosen for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1927, subject to confirmation by the Council:-

(i) In view of the climatic and physical features of theatres in which the Army in India is likely to be employed, consider the possibility of mechanicalising its various arms and services. To what extent would such mechanicalisation affect our present methods of operating on the North West Frontier of India.

or

(ii) In the event of a war threatening British interests in the Far East and India, consider the

employing the fighting forces of India, and such expeditionary forces as the Australasian Dominions may be able to furnish as t covering force, pending the mobilisation of the resources of the Empire.

6. The appointment of Miss M.McCormick as Librarian from t 1st July 1926 was confirmed.

7. It was decided that the pay of the Superintendent should be raised to Rs.150/- p.m., as a temporary measure.

8. It was decided that it was unnecessary to take out a separate insurance for medals.

9. Secretary was instructed to write to R.U.S.I. (in view of the action they have taken in ceasing to give concession to mem of the U.S.I. of India) and say that the Executive Committee propose to recommend to the Council at their next meeting that British Service officers joining the U.S.I. of India should pay Rs.7/- entrance fee in addition to their annual subscription.

This does away with the preference at present given to R.U.S.I. members but gives British Service officers a Rs.3/- advantage over Indian Army officers in return for the 4/-s advan tage which R.U.S.I. give to officers of the Indian Army.

10. Secretary advised the Committee that if the present dem for schemes continued an extra clerk in the Institution would b necessary.

Walter Leohe.

Major-General

President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for

the Council Meeting to be held on the 15th September 1926.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 5th May 1926.
2. To confirm the award of a McGregor Memorial Medal for 1926.
3. To confirm the award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1926.
4. To confirm the selection by the Executive Committee of subjects for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1927.
5. To consider the affiliation rules of the R.U.S.I. and U.S.I.
6. Any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

Minutes of a COUNCIL MEETING held in the General Staff Committee Room, on Wednesday the 15th September 1926, at 10-0 a.m.

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PRESENT.

Lt.-General Sir Andrew Skeen, KCB., KCIE., CMG. (President)
Major-General O.L.Robinson, CB., CMG., KHP.
Major-General J.F.S.D.Coleridge, CB., CMG., DSO.
Colonel on the Staff C.W.Singer, CB., CMG., DSO. (Attending)
Colonel on the Staff C.C.Palmer, CBE. (Attending)
Colonel M.Saunders, DSO.
Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll, R.A.F.
Major G.de la P.Beresford, MC.
Major R.G.Cherry, MC., R.A.
Captain J.G.Smyth, VC., MC. (Secretary)

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th May 1926 were read and confirmed.

2. The award of a McGregor Memorial Medal for 1926 was confirmed.

3. The award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay competition, 1926, was confirmed. A vote of thanks to the judges was passed.

4. The selection by the Executive Committee of subjects for the Gold Medal Prize Essay competition, 1927, was approved.

5. The proposal that British Service officers should be required to pay Rs. 7/- Entrance fee instead of Rs.10/-, irrespective of whether they are members of the Royal United Service Institution or not, was approved.

It was decided that the Secretary should first write to the R.U.S.I. again advising them that this proposal had been approved by the Council and would be given effect to from the 1st January 1927 unless they proposed reconsidering their decision to abolish any reciprocation between the two Institutions.

6. Sir Andrew Skeen proposed that, as the United Service Institute building was so little used, wives of members might be allowed to use it and be allowed to order tea there from

Pelitis restaurant opposite.

The proposal was passed subject to the approval of certain of the senior civilian members of the Council who were not present.

7. The Council considered that the lectures held in Simla during the summer had been a success and that they and the introduction of tactical schemes had been chiefly instrumental in increasing our membership.

Lieut.General.

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

N O T I C E

The annual general meeting of the above Institution will be held on Wednesday the 15th September at 10/20 A.M. in the General Staff Committee Room, Army Headquarters, Simla.

Proxy forms may be obtained on application to the Secretary.

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A G E N D A

1. To read the President's report for 1925.
2. To consider amendments to the rules.
3. Any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

J.G.SMYTH. Captain.
Secretary, U.S.I. of India.

Simla,
1st September 1926.

Proceedings of a GENERAL MEETING held on Wednesday the 15th September 1926, in the General Staff Committee Room.

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The President read his report for 1925, a copy of which is attached.

for Lieut.General.

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 1925

MEMBERSHIP

On 1st January 1925 the membership was:-

Ordinary Members	1094.	Honorary Member	1.
Life Members	431.	Subscribers	130.

On 31st December 1925 the membership was:-

Ordinary Members	1101.	Honorary Member	1.
Life Members	408.	Subscribers	136.

a net increase of 7 Ordinary Members and 6 Subscribers; and a decrease of 23 Life Members. It should be noted, however, that we have struck off as untraceable 80 Ordinary members & 31 Life members and have written off subscriptions shown as outstanding against them.

The increase is therefore actually:-

Ordinary Members	87.
Life Members	8.
Subscribers	6.

It is doubtful whether we can ever expect a large increase in membership as the great majority of messes now take the Journal, and officers can read it regularly without having to join. It is for consideration whether we should not make a extra charge for subscribers as opposed to members. At present subscribers pay exactly the same as members except that they pay no entrance fee. The Institution therefore loses both ways

JOURNAL.

There has been a very marked revival of interest in matters connected with the Journal. The correspondence col which was started early in the year under consideration, has been a marked success, and has led a number of officers to correspond with the Secretary, both with letters for publication and not for publication.

Articles and opinions expressed in the Journal receive a considerable amount of attention in the Press, and this is all to the good in encouraging military thought.

TACTICAL SCHEMES.

Schemes and Road Space tables issued by the Institutionhave been eagerly sought after by members during the year. We are almost sold ~~out~~ out of those in hand, and steps are being taken to secure more. There is of course considerable difficulty in finding officers with the necessary qualifications and leisure to produce schemes of the quality required. (During the present year the stock of schemes has been largely increased)

ESTABLISHMENT.

Early in the year it was decided to do away with the full time superintendent, and appoint a half time man, Sub-Conductor Higgins, in his place. This has been an unqualified success, and Mr Higgins value to the Institution has been reflected by the marked improvement in administration, and finance, especially the recovery of overdue subscriptions.

FINANCE.

The Auditor's report is before you. It will be seen that the Auditors refer to a deficit on the year's working. I must impress on you that this is a "book" deficit only, for actually the financial situation has markedly improved during the year.

We started the year with Rs.350/- in cash, and outstanding bills due from the previous year amounting to approximately Rs.1850/-. We end the year with Rs.2700/- in available cash, and outstanding bills of 800/-.

The deficit shown on the year's working is due to the writing off of Rs.3900/- bad debts due by untraceable members which have been shown for a long time as assets in the balance sheet, and of course to the normal depreciation on buildings, stock etc, amounting to Rs.1370/-.

The Committee have been able to invest Rs.2000/- to increase our capital reserve, which now amounts to Rs.11,990/-. It will be noted that this has more than covered our depreciation which is satisfactory, more especially as the greater part of our depreciation is probably quite fictitious. It is extremely doubtful whether the value of our ~~building~~ land is not actually appreciating, while things like medals probably do not

considerably in value from year to year.

I would especially call your attention to the improvement in the collection of outstanding subscriptions during the year under reference. We collected Rs.3,469/- this year as opposed to Rs.1,695/- during the year 1924-25.

LECTURES & LIBRARY.

Two points were somewhat relegated to the back-ground during the year under consideration- lectures and the library. This was done intentionally for financial reasons. Lectures are as a whole expensive, except where the subject is unusually interesting to the general public who pay for admittance Arrangements and programmes for lectures have to be arranged early in the year, and at the beginning of the year under consideration the finances of the Institution were in a bad way, and great care had to be taken not to impose a further strain on them. We therefore reduced lectures rather to a minimum.

For similar reasons we had to go rather slow over the puchase of books for the library. Although, however, our purchases of books were comparatively few, we have been getting a very large number of review copies free from publishers, and I think we have kept the library well up to date.

We propose spending more money on lectures this year -and on the library- especially with regard to purchasing duplicate copies of books which are much in demand.

Lieut.General.
President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for

Committee Meeting to be held on the 10th May 1927.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 24th August 1926.

2. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews in the October 1926, January and April 1927 journals.

3. To consider the auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1926.

4. To consider the question of extending the appointment of Captain J.G.Smyth,V.C.,M.C. as Secretary, subject to confirmation by the Council, for a further year.

5. To consider what action should be taken in regard to certain outstanding subscriptions from members.

6. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

Minutes of an EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING held in the General Staff Committee room, on the 10th May 1927 at 10-0 a.m.

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PRESENT.

Maj-Genl. Sir Walter S.Leslie,KBE.,CB.,CMG.,DSO.(President

Major-General H.E.ap Rhys Pryce,CB.,CMG.,DSO.

Colonel W.D.Croft,CMG.,DSO.

Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll,H.A.F.

Colonel on the Staff H.C.Jackson,CB.,CMG.,DSO.

Captain R.J.Wilkinson,OBE.,FRGS.

Captain J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 24th August 1926 were read and confirmed.

2. The premia awarded for articles and reviews, in the October 1926, January and April 1927 journals, were passed.

3. The auditor's report, and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1926, was passed for presentation to the Council. In regard to the auditors recommendation it was decided to write off the sum of Rs. 87-10-0 from the claim of the MacGregor Memorial Fund against the Alliance Bank, subject to the approval of the Council.

Owing to the increase in the cost of production of the Journal and maintenance of the Library on a more up-to-date scale, it was decided to recommend to the Council that the annual subscription be raised to Rs. 12/- and that the subscription for life members be increased to Rs. 144/-. In regard to this, it was brought to notice that the R.U.S.I. have recently found it necessary to make considerable increases both to the entrance fee and annual subscription.

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4. The extension of the appointment of Captain J.G.Smyth, V.C.,M.C. as Secretary was approved subject to confirmation by the Council.

5. The question of the accounts of certain members who are in arrears was discussed. It was decided that these members should be notified by registered letter that, in the event of their not settling their subscriptions within 3 months, the

their names would be posted in the institution and a copy of the posting sent to their commanding officers.

6. It was decided that books be purchased for the library on a larger scale than hitherto. With a view to obtaining our requirements at more reasonable rates the Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Times Library at Home.

As numerous additions have been made in the library since the publication of the catalogue in 1924 it was suggested that a revised edition be printed for sale to members.

W. Kirke

Major-General.

President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for

Council Meeting to be held on the 26th May 1927.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 15th September 1926.
2. To read the President's report on the years working.
3. To consider the auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1926 and if the auditors proposal is approved, to write off Rs. 87-10-0 of the claim of the McGregor Memorial Fund against the Alliance Bank.
4. To consider the question of raising the subscription for annual and life membership in accordance with the recommendation of the Executive Committee.
5. To consider the proposal of the Executive Committee to extend the appointment of the Secretary for a further year.
6. To elect a president and 6 members from the Council to form the Executive Committee.
7. To appoint 3 judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition.
8. To consider the question of lectures during the Simla season. (In this connection it is requested that members should, if possible, have definite proposals for lectures to put forward.)
9. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

Minutes of a COUNCIL MEETING held in the General Staff Committee Room, on Thursday the 26th May 1927, at 11-30 a.m.

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PRESENT.

Major-General W.M.St.G.Kirke,CB.,CMG.,DSO. (President)
Lieut-General Sir John S.M.Shea,KCB.,KCMG.,DSO.,A.D.C.
Major-General Sir Walter S.Leslie,KBE.,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Major-General J.F.S.D.Coleridge,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Colonel on the Staff H.C.Jackson,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Colonel on the Staff W.L.O.Twiss,CBE.,MC.
Colonel M.Saunders,DSO.
D.Petrie,Esq.,CIE.,CVO.,CBE.,MA.,I.P.
H.G.Haig, Esq.,CIE.,I.C.S.
Major C.A.Boyle,DSO.
Major H.I.Allen,DSO.
Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll,R.A.F.
Colonel E.F.J.Hill,DSO.,MC.
Captain J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC. (Secretary)

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 15th September 1926 were read and confirmed.
2. The President's report for 1926 was read.
3. The auditors report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1926 were passed.
   The auditors proposal, to write off a portion (Rs. 87-10-0) of the claim of the McGregor Memorial Fund against the Alliance Bank, was approved.
4. It was decided that, in order to put the Institution on a really satisfactory basis, and to increase the scope of the library and bring it up-to-date, the annual subscription should be raised from Rs. 10/- to Rs. 12/- and the subscription for Life members be increased from Rs. 120/- to Rs. 144/-, as recommended by the Executive Committee at their meeting held on 10/5/27. The increases to take effect immediately for new members, and from 1/1/28 for all present members.
   It was also decided that steps should be taken [illegible] grant-in-aid from [illegible]

5. The appointment of Captain J.G.Smyth, V.C., M.C. as Secretary for a further year was confirmed.

6. The following were elected to form the Executive Committee:-

Major-General W.M.St.G.Kirke, CB., CMG., DSO. (President)
Colonel on the Staff H.C.Jackson, CB., CMG., DSO.
Colonel E.F.J.Hill, DSO., MC.
Colonel M.Saunders, DSO.
Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll, R.A.F.
Major C.A.Boyle, DSO.
Major H.I.Allen, DSO.

7. The following were appointed as judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1927:-

Lieut-General Sir Cyril J.Deverell, KBE., CB.
Colonel on the Staff W.L.O.Twiss, CBE., MC.
Group Captain R.F.Mills, MC., AFC.

8. The question regarding lectures was discussed. Several suggestions were put forward, and it was decided that detail should be left to the Secretary to arrange.

W Kirke
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~~Lieut.~~-General.

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 1926.

MEMBERSHIP.

On 1st January 1926 the membership was:-

Ordinary Members	1101.	Honorary Member	1.
Life Members	408.	Subscribers	136.

On 31st December 1926 the membership was:-

Ordinary Members	1176.	Honorary Member	1.
Life Members	413.	Subscribers	145.

An increase of:-

*75 Ordinary Members.
5 Life Members.
9 Subscribers.

(*This is in addition to the loss of 97 members who have resigned, mostly owing to their leaving India on transfer or retirement.)

This is really very satisfactory as the President considered last year that we could hardly expect a further increase in membership as so many messes now take in the Journal.

FINANCE.

You will see from the auditor's report that there is a deficit of Rs. 2,916-4-6 on the years working as compared with a balance deficit of Rs. 2,101-13-4 last year.

This years deficit is explained in part by the auditor and in addition we had to re-cement and re-mat a good deal of the flooring in the Institute at a cost of Rs. 370.

We also decided that members should be admitted free to U.S.I. lectures in Simla; these cost us Rs.405 last year as compared with the Rs.616 profit we made on them the year before.

The deficit shown in the auditor's report is of course a book deficit only and, in addition to the explanation given by the auditor, is largely the result of a heavy depreciation on buildings, stock, books etc. New books are immediately depreciated by half on purchase. Actually we have been able to invest Rs.1942/8 during the year and we had on the 1st May 1927 a balance of Rs.11,756-7-4 in cash and investments amounting to Rs. 11,952-8-0. This compares well with previous years; our balances on the 1st [illegible]

	Cash.	Investments.
1922.	Rs. 2867-6-9	Rs. 9315-1-0
1923.	Rs. 5724-6-2	Rs. 9990-0-0
1924.	Rs. 7917-9-9	Rs. 9990-0-0
1925.	Rs. 4183-5-7	Rs. 9990-0-0
1926.	Rs. 10078-8-8	Rs. 11932-8-0

JOURNAL.

We have increased our payments for articles in the Journal to Rs.500 per number and a good article is now paid at Rs. 50-70, a considerable increase over our old rates. The resu has been an improvement in the standard of articles and, instea having difficulty in making up the Journal, the Editor generall has to return a number of articles not up to standard.

The correspondence column, which was recently start has been a success and has led to a number of officers corresp with the Editor- some of the correspondence is published and ge ly promotes discussion and some- generally on the somewhat del subject of Indianisation and the shortage of British officers- though interesting, has to be returned as unpublishable.

We now get the Journal printed by the C & M at Lahor instead of by the Pioneer; the result has been an improvement i print and has justified the change.

TACTICAL SCHEMES.

The increase in membership for the year is largely attributable to the popularity of these schemes.

The schemes, which are complete with maps and detail solutions, were drawn up last summer and advertised in the Journ They cost Rs.880 to produce and have already realised over Rs.200 and are still in demand.

We shall draw up another batch when these become out date.

ESTABLISHMENT.

Our Superintendent, Mr. Higgins, who had done us extremely well, was obliged to vacate suddenly owing to the illn of his wife.

His place has been taken by Mr. Alford

LIBRARY.

As was suggested at last years Council meeting we have spent a good deal more money on the library this year. We have purchased a lot more books and have got duplicate and triplicate copies of those books which are in great demand.

We also get a considerable number of books presented for review in the Journal.

LECTURES.

Eight lectures were held in the Gaiety theatre during the rains.

These were well attended, particularly by ladies, who had not been permitted to attend the year before.

We decided that members should not be charged for admittance to these lectures- this resulted in an expenditure of Rs.405 as compared with a balance credit of Rs.616 the previous year, but the lectures certainly helped to increase our membership in Simla.

Lieut.General

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

Minutes of an EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING held in the General Staff Committee Room, on Thursday the 26th May 1927.

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PRESENT.

Major-General W.M.St.G.Kirke, CB., CMG., DSO. (President)
Colonel on the Staff H.C.Jackson, CB., CMG., DSO.
Colonel E.F.J.Hill, DSO., MC.
Colonel M.Saunders, DSO.
Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll, R.A.F.
Major C.A.Boyle, DSO.
Major H.I.Allen, DSO.

The following were selected to serve on the Executive Committee:-

Major W.K.Rebsch, DSO.
Major S.A.H.Hungerford, MC.
Major F.C.E.Barstow, OBE.
Captain L.Gilbert, MC.
Captain R.J.Wilkinson, OBE., FRGS.

Major-General.

President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A.

for

Committee Meeting to be held on Monday the 12th September 27.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 10th May 1927.

2. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews in the July 1927 Journal.

3. To consider the award of a McGregor Memorial Medal for 1927.

4. To consider the award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1927.

5. To consider suggested subjects* for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1928.

6. To consider proposals regarding the Staff.

7. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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*Any suggestions by members of the Committee will be welcomed.

Minutes of an EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE meeting held in Chief of the General Staff's room, on Monday the 12th September 1927, at 11-30 a.m.

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PRESENT.

Major-General W.M.St.G.Kirke,CB.,CMG.,DSO., (President).
Colonel on the Staff W.L.O.Twiss,CBE.,MC. (attending).
Colonel E.F.J.Hill,DSO.,MC.
Major S.A.H.Hungerford,MC.
Major T.C.E.Barstow,OBE.
Major C.A.Boyle,DSO.
Major H.I.Allen,DSO.
Captain J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 10th May 1927 were read and confirmed.

2. The premia awarded for articles and reviews in the July 1927 Journal was passed.

3. The award of a MacGregor Memorial Medal to Major M.C.Lake, 4/4th Bombay Grenadiers, as recommended by H.E. the Commander-in-Chief, was approved, subject to confirmation by the Council. It was noted that there is no candidate considered suitable for the soldier's medal this year.

4. The following awards of the judges in the Gold Medal Priz Essay Competition, 1927, were accepted, subject to confirmation the Council:-

Major D.Mc.A.Hogg,M.C.,R.E.	Gold Medal & Rs. 50/-.
Captain J.G.O.Whitehead,M.C., R.E.	Rs. 50/-
Lt-Colonel J.C.Dundas,D.S.O., R.T.C.	Rs. 50/-

5. The following subjects were chosen for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1928, subject to confirmation by the Council:-

(1) In view of the number of weapons which the Indian soldi has to be taught in the short period of his colour ser

how do you consider that our existing system of training could be simplified so as to retain what is essential to his efficiency and cut out everything which is unnecessary.

or

(ii) The stopping power of modern small arms weapons, combined with the increasing difficulty of obtaining draught animals, are leading to progressive mechanisation in the Army at Home.

Bearing in mind the tasks the Army in India may have to carry out in war, both in the defence of her frontiers, internal security, and the possible provision of an expeditionary force for service in an Eastern theatre, consider the necessity for increased mechanisation of the Army in India and suggest the directions in which it can most profitably be employed with due regard to economy.

6. It was decided that the pay of Clerk, S.S.Verma, should be raised to Rs. 85/- p.m., and that of the senior peon, Nafru, from Rs. 18/- to Rs. 20/- p.m.

7. The President spoke about the proposed lecture to be given by Sir Aurel Stein, K.C.I.E. at Delhi and proposed that the lecture should be open to non-members on application of a ticket from the Secretary.

Major-General.

President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for

Committee Meeting to be held on Wednesday the 23rd May 1928.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 12th September 1927.
2. To consider the auditors report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1927.
3. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews in the October 1927 and January 1928 Journals.
4. To consider the question of extending the appointment of Major J.G.Smyth,V.C.,M.C., as Secretary, subject to confirmation by the Council, until March 1929.
5. To consider a letter from the President Mess Committee, Hodson's Horse.
6. To consider the question of posting the names of members whose subscriptions are badly in arrears, in the Library for six months.
7. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

Minutes of an EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room, at 11 a.m. on Wednesday the 23rd May 1928.

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PRESENT.

Major-General W.M.St.G.Kirke,CB.,CMG.,DSO. (President).
Colonel M.Saunders,DSO.
Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll.
Major W.K.Rebsch,DSO.
Major T.C.E.Barstow,OBE.
Colonel E.C.Gepp,DSO.
Major J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 12th September 1927 were read and confirmed.

2. The auditors report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1927 were passed for presentation to the Council.

3. The premia awarded for articles and reviews in the October 1927 and January 1928 journals were passed.

4. The extension of the appointment of Major J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC. as Secretary until March 1929 was approved, subject to confirmation by the Council.

5. A letter from the P.M.C. Hodson's Horse was read and it was decided to present that unit with the desired original manuscript of Lieut. Hodson referred to in their letter.

6. The question of posting members whose subscriptions were badly in arrears was considered, and it was decided that a letter be written under the signature of the President to the Commanding Officers under whom the members were serving. In event of no replies thereto being received that the amounts outstanding be written off and the members struck off our membership roll.

Major-General.
President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for

Council Meeting to be held on Wednesday the 23rd May 1928.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 26th May 1927.
2. To read the President's report on the year's working.
3. To consider the auditors report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1927.
4. To confirm the award of MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1927.
5. To confirm the award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1927.
6. To confirm the selection by the Executive Committee of subjects for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1928.
7. To confirm the proposal of the Executive Committee to extend the appointment of the Secretary until March 1929.
8. To elect a President and six members from the Council to form the Executive Committee.
9. To appoint 3 judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1928.
10. To consider the question of lectures during the Simla season. (In this connection it is requested that members should, if possible, have definite proposals for lectures to put forward).
11. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

Minutes of a COUNCIL meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room at 11-30 a.m. on Wednesday the 23rd May 1928.

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PRESENT.

Lt.-General Sir Andrew Skeen,KCB.,KCIE.,CMG. (President).
Major-General J.F.S.D.Coleridge,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Sir Dennys Bray,KCIE.,CSI.,CBE.,I.C.S.
Lt.-General Sir Cyril J.Deverell,KBE.,CB.
Major-General W.H.Ogilvie,CB.,CMG.,MB.
Colonel M.Saunders,DSO.
Major T.C.E.Barstow,OBE.
Colonel W.R.Blackwell,CMG.
Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll.
Major-General W.M.St.G.Kirke,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Major A.F.R.Lumby,CIE.,OBE.
Major-General H.E.ap Rhys Pryce,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Colonel E.C.Gepp,DSO. (attending).
Major J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 26th May 1927 were read and confirmed.

2. The President's report for 1927 was read.

3. The auditors report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1927 were passed.

4. The award of a MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1927 was confirmed.

5. The award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1927, was confirmed. A vote of thanks to the judges was passed.

6. The selection of subjects by the Executive Committee for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1928, was approved.

7. The appointment of Major J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC., as Secretary up to March 1929 was confirmed.

8. The following were elected to form the Executive Committee

Major-General W.M.St.G.Kirke,CB.,CMG.,DSO. (President)
Major-General H.E.ap Rhys Pryce,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Colonel W.R.Blackwell,CMG.
Colonel E.P.J.Hill,DSO.,MC.
Major T.C.E.Barstow,OBE.
Major A.F.R.Lumby,CIE.,OBE.

9. The following were selected to act as judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1928:-

Major-General H.E.ap Rhys Pryce,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Colonel E.C.Gepp,DSO.
Colonel D.G.Ridgeway,DSO.

10. The question of lectures during the Simla season was considered. The lectures by Captain D.H.Cole,M.B.E. and Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll were approved. It was also agreed to invite Sir John Marshall, Major Mason and Captain A.B.Knight to give lectures; details being left to the Secretary to arrange.

11. The President remarked on the improvement in the Journal and suggested that as the finances of the Institution were satisfactory, the premia for articles be increased to put them on a le with the leading Home Military Journals. It was agreed that this should be done.

Lieut.-General.
President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 1927.

MEMBERSHIP.

On the 1st of January, 1928 the total membership amounted to :-

1,211	Ordinary Members
414	Life Members
145	Subscribers
1,770	Total

This is an increase of 36 during the year and an increase of 126 on the membership on 1st January, 1926 when the President considered, in his report for the year that we could never expect much increase in the total number of 1,644 members and subscribers,

FINANCE.

Our balance sheet last year showed a deficit of Rs. 2,916-4-6 and that of 1925 a balance deficit of Rs. 2,101-13-4.

Our balance sheet this year shows a balance credit of Rs. 2,322-1-10.

At the Council Meeting held in May 1927 it was decided that, in order to put the Institution on a really satisfactory basis and to increase the scope of the library and bring it up-to-date, the annual subscriptions should be raised, although it was realised that this step might prove unpopular and result in a certain loss of membership.

Shortly after this Council meeting we discovered some old correspondence by which in 1883 the Government had agreed that, although they would not allow the Journal to be printed free of charge in a Government press, they would give the Institution an annual grant to cover the cost of printing. This was estimated in 1883 at Rs. 3,000 which is the sum we have been receiving ever since, although our printing charges are now approximately Rs. 5,000.

We accordingly submitted a claim

to be increased to Rs. 9,000; this has now been sanctioned and will be placed to our credit for the coming year.

In anticipation of the Council's approval we did not therefore proceed with the resolution to further increase our subscriptions.

We have also been able during the year to invest a further sum of Rs. 1,200. Our total investments now amount to Rs. 13,132 as compared to Rs. 9,990 in 1925.

Our financial position may therefore be considered very satisfactory as, without the extra Government Grant, we show a balance credit for the first time for several years.

JOURNAL.

During the last two years we have increased considerably our payments for articles in the Journal. The result has been that, instead of the Editor having to write round India to try and get enough copy to fill the Journal, he has to return more articles than he accepts each quarter.

The transfer of the printing from the Pioneer press to the Civil and Military has resulted in a great improvement.

TACTICAL SCHEMES.

The increase in membership for the last two years is largely attributable to the popularity of these schemes.

They were drawn up and put on sale, complete with maps and solutions, the summer before last and have already realised over Rs. 3,000. They unfortunately very quickly become out of date owing to the present rapid changes in organisation and several have had to be withdrawn until they can be gradually re-written.

ESTABLISHMENT.

Mr. Alford has undertaken the duties of Superintendent very satisfactorily during the past year.

and we had to consider an increase to our clerical establishment. The Himalayan Club, which is in process of being formed under the presidency of Sir Geoffrey Corbett, asked for our assistance in Simla. They agreed to pay Rs. 50 per mensem towards the pay of an extra clerk, provided that they might claim his services half daily. We accordingly engaged Mr. Frost, as an assistant to the Superintendent, at a salary of Rs. 120 per mensem. He will be extremely useful especially in the event of the Superintendent having to go on tour or falling sick.

To give further assistance to the newly formed Himalayan Club we have placed a room in the Institution at their disposal for their books and secretariat work and allowed their members to use the reading room and library belonging to the Institution.

When their club expands and gets properly going they will have to make other arrangements or pay some contribution to the Institution.

LIBRARY.

As was suggested at the 1926 Council meeting we have spent a good deal more money on the library during the year - Rs. 1,941-6-3 as compared with Rs. 796-3-0 in 1926.

We have purchased a lot more books and have got duplicate and triplicate copies of those which are in great demand.

A new catalogue giving a complete list of the books up to September, 1927, is now available.

LECTURES.

Six lectures were delivered to members of the Institution, including a lecture by Sir Aurel Stein given in Delhi.

Ph. Lefroy Chetwode.
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Lieut-General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for

Committee Meeting to be held on Monday the 15th October 1928.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 23rd May 1928.
2. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews in the April 1928 Journal.
3. To consider the award of MacGregor Memorial medals for 1928.
4. To consider the award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1928.
5. To select a subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1929.
6. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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*Any suggestions by members of the Committee will be welcomed.

Minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room, at 11 a.m. on Monday the 15th October 1928.

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PRESENT.

Major-General W.M.St.G.Kirke,CB.,CMG.,DSO. (President).
Major-General H.E.ap Rhys Pryce,CB.,CMG.,DSO.
Brigadier E.F.J.Hill,DSO.,MC.
Colonel W.R.Blackwell,CMG.
Squadron Leader E.J.Hodsoll.
Major T.C.E.Barstow,OBE.
Major A.F.R.Lumby,CIE.,OBE.
Colonel H.F.E.MacMahon,CBE.,MC.
Colonel M.Saunders,DSO.
Major H.L.Ovans,CBE.
Captain C.W.Toovey,MC.
Major J.G.Smyth,VC.,MC. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 23rd May 1928 were read and confirmed.

2. The premia awarded for articles and reviews in the April 1928 Journal were passed.

3. The following awards of the McGregor Memorial Medals for the year 1928, as recommended by H.E. the Commander-in-Chief, were approved, subject to confirmation by the Council:-

   (i) Silver Medal for officers.

   Captain J.F.Bowerman, 4/10th D.C.O. Baluch Regiment.

   (ii) Silver Medal for soldiers with Rs. 100/- gratuity.

   Havildar Muhammed Khan, Zhob Levy Corps.

4. The following awards of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1928, were accepted, subject to confirmation by the Council:-

   Major K.P.Franks,DSO., 5th Royal Mahrattas Gold Medal & Rs.100/-

   Major J.Mc.L.G.Taylor, 10/6th Rajputana Rifles Rs.50/-

5. The following Departmental awards were approved for

"In future compaigns on the frontier we may encounter tribesmen, either equipped themselves with, or supported by other troops possessing, modern artillery and aircraft.
How can we best, both on the march and in bivouac, combine protective measures to safeguard ourselves against tribal tactic as we have known them in the past, supported by such modern weapons".

or

"Outline the best method of supplying a combined mechanised ground force and air force operating at a considerable distanc (150 - 250 miles) from a railhead with no metalled road communications, no local mechanical or petrol facilities, and practically no local supplies except water".

Major-General.

President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for

Executive Committee Meeting to be held on Monday, the 6th May, 1929.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 15th October, 1928.

2. To consider the Auditor's Report and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1928.

3. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews in the journals for July and October 1928 and January 1929.

4. To consider the appointment of Major G.B.Henderson, as Secretary, vice Major J.G.Smyth, V.C., M.C., vacated.

5. To consider a proposal regarding the staff.

6. To consider the question of dealing with accounts of certain members which are in arrears.

7. To consider a letter from the Mess President, Hodson's Horse, presenting a litho print of Major Hodson's portrait to the Institution.

8. To transact any other business that may bebrought before the Meeting.

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Minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room, at 11 a.m. on Monday the 6th May 1929.

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PRESENT.

Major-General W.M.St.G.Kirke,CB.,CMG.,DSO. (President).
Colonel M.Saunders,DSO.
Colonel H.F.E.Macmahon,CBE.,MC.
Major T.C.E.Barstow,OBE.
Major A.F.R.Lumby,CIE.,OBE.
Brigadier S.F.Muspratt,CSI.,CIE.,DSO. (attending).
Major G.B.Henderson (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 15th October 1928 were read and confirmed.

2. The Auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1928 were passed for presentation to the Council.

3. The premia awarded for articles and reviews in the Journals for July and October 1928 and January 1929 were passed.

4. Major G.B.Henderson was appointed Secretary with effect from the 1st April 1929, vice Major J.G.Smyth,V.C.,M.C., vacated, subject to the approval of the Council.

5. It was considered unnecessary to retain the services of the additional assistant, Mr. L.B.Forst, in the Institution and it was decided to dismiss him at the end of this month, and give him two months wages as a bonus. It was also decided to pay his hospital charges of Rs. 42/-, being the amount incurred by him while undergoing an operation for appendicitis, from the U.S.I. funds.

6. The question of certain members, whose accounts are badly in arrears, was discussed and the Secretary was empowered to remove their names from the membership roll and to write off the amounts due from them.

7. It was agreed to mount the litho print of Major Hodson's portrait, presented by the Officer's Mess, Hodson's Horse,

and to hang it in the Reading Room of the Institution.

8. As the accounts under inspection showed an excess of income over expenditure, it was decided that books issued on loan to members should be despatched post free, instead of by V.P.P. as hitherto, also that the price of the schemes, which are issued on payment to members, be reduced by approximately 50 %.

J. Thompson
M.J.

President,
Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for

Council Meeting to be held on Monday, 6th May, 1929.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 23rd May, 1928.
2. To read the President's Report on the year's working.
3. To consider the Auditor's Report and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1928.
4. To confirm the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1928.
5. To confirm the award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1928.
6. To confirm the selection by the Executive Committee of subjects for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1929.
7. To confirm the appointment of Major G.B.Henderson, as Secretary, vice Major J.G.Smyth, V.C., D.C., vacated.
8. To elect a President and six members from the Council to form the Executive Committee.
9. To appoint 3 judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1929.
10. To consider the question of lectures during the Simla season (in this connection it is requested that members should, if possible, have definite proposals for lectures to put forward).
11. To consider a letter from Major-General H.E. ap Rhys Pryce, CB., C.I.E., D.S.O.,
12. To transact any other business that may be brought before the Meeting.

Minutes of a COUNCIL meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room at 11-30 a.m. on Monday the 6th May 1929.

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PRESENT.

General Sir Philip W.Chetwode,Bt.,KCB.,KCMG.,DSO.,ADC., (President).

G.M.Young, Esq., M.L.A.,C.I.E.,I.C.S.

Major-General J.F.S.D.Coleridge,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.

The Hon'ble Mr. H.G.Haig,C.I.E.,I.C.S.

Lt.-General Sir Edwin H.de V.Atkinson,KCB.,KBE.,CMG.,CIE.

Major-General A.G.Stevenson,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.

Major-General Sir Walter H.Ogilvie,KBE.,CB.,CMG.,MB.

Brigadier S.F.Muspratt,C.S.I.,C.I.E.,D.S.O.

Brigadier H.C.Jackson,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.

Colonel H.F.E.Macmahon,C.B.E.,M.C.

Group Captain R.F.Mills,M.C.,A.F.C.

Major A.F.R.Lumby,C.I.E.,O.B.E.

Major T.C.E.Barstow,O.B.E.

D.Petrie, Esq.,C.I.E.,C.V.O.,C.B.E.,M.A.

Major-General W.M.St.G.Kirke,CB.,CMG.,DSO. (attending).

Major G.B.Henderson (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 23rd May 1928 1929 were read and confirmed.

2. The President read his report for 1928, a copy of which is attached.

3. The Auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1928 were passed. The Secretary was, however, instructed to investigate, in communication with the Auditors, several minor points which were not clear in the report.

4. The awards of the MacGregor Memorial medals for 1928 were confirmed.

5. The award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1928, was confirmed. A vote of thanks [illegible]

6. The selection of subjects by the Executive Committee for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1929, was approved.

7. The appointment of Major G.E.Henderson, as Secretary, vice Major J.G.Smyth,V.C.,M.C., with effect from 1st April 1929 was approved.

8. The following were elected to form the Executive Committee:-

Brigadier S.F.Muspratt,CSI.,CIE.,DSO. (President).
Brigadier H.C.Jackson,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.
Colonel H.F.E.MacMahon,C.B.E.,M.C.
Colonel W.R.Blackwell,C.M.G.
Group Captain R.P.Mills,M.C.,A.F.C.
Major A.F.R.Lumby,C.I.E.,O.B.E.
Major T.C.E.Barstow,O.B.E.

9. The following were selected to act as judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1929:-

Major-General G.H.B.Freeth,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.
Major-General A.W.H.M.Moens,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.
Lt-Colonel J.C.Macrae,D.S.O.

As the subjects chosen for 1929 embrace the Air Service, it was considered necessary to co-opt Group Captain R.P.Mills,M.C. A.F.C. as an additional adjudicator.

10. The question of lectures during the Simla season was considered. The lectures to be given by Wing Commander L.L.MacLean and Lt-Colonel R.H.Phillimore,D.S.O. were approved. It was also agreed to invite Lt-Colonel G.Le Q.Martel,D.S.O.,M.C., and Captain K.C.D.Dawson,M.B.E. to give lectures; details being left to the Secretary to arrange.

11. The letter from Major-General H.E. ap Rhys Pryce,C.B.,C.M.G. D.S.O., suggesting that the Director of Supplies & Transport be made a member ex-officio of the Council was considered, but as Colonel MacMahon, the present D.S. & T., had already been elected to serve on the Council, it was decided not to proceed with the suggestion.

General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 1928.

MEMBERSHIP.

On the 1st January 1929 the total membership amounted to:-

Ordinary Members.....	1262.
Life Members.....	412.
Subscribers.....	164.
Total.....	1838.

This amounts to an increase during the year of 51 ordinary members and 19 subscribers.

It is satisfactory to note that our membership has increased by 196 since 1st January 1926, when the President considered, in his annual report, that we could never expect much increase in our membership.

FINANCE.

Our balance sheet this year shows an excess of income over expenditure of Rs. 2,130-9-11 as compared with a similar balance of Rs. 2,322-1-10 last year. Our total investments now amount to Rs. 8,632-8-0.

JOURNAL.

We have lately increased considerably our payments for articles in the Journal and now pay between Rs. 700 and Rs. 800 in premia for each number.

TACTICAL SCHEMES.

Most of our schemes had to be brought up to date and be reprinted during the year but, even so, we realised Rs. 531-8-0 on them and the total amount we have received from them since they were drawn up in 1925 is now nearing Rs. 5000.

ESTABLISHMENT.

Major J.G.Smyth, who has been Secretary of the Institution for 3 years, is resigning on leaving Army Headquarters and his place is being taken by Major G.B.Anderson.

Mr. Frost is now assistant Superintendent and has ceased to do half time work for the Himalayan Club, who have now got their own clerk.

LIBRARY.

We have spent Rs. 2028 on books during the year as compared with Rs. 1941 last year. We now get them at a cheaper rate by ordering them through the Secretary Army Headquarters Library instead of through the ordinary booksellers.

In order to assist the Himalayan Club in starting their Library we are allowing their Librarian, who is a member of the U.S.I., to take out any books which their members may require, provided that none of our own members have their names down for these particular books at the time.

This is only a temporary arrangement which will be reconsidered at the end of 1929.

LECTURES.

Six lectures were given in Simla during 1928. They were well attended and undoubtedly helped considerably to increase our membership.

Philip W Chetwode

General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

Minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room on Monday the 6th May 1929, at 12 p.m.

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PRESENT.

Brigadier S.F.Muspratt,CSI.,CIE.,DSO. (President).
Brigadier H.C.Jackson,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.
Colonel H.F.E.Macmahon,C.B.E.,M.C.
Group Captain R.P.Mills,M.C.,A.F.C.
Major A.F.R.Lumby,C.I.E.,O.B.E.
Major T.C.E.Barstow,O.B.E.
Major G.B.Henderson (Secretary).

The following were selected to serve as additional members on the Executive Committee:-

Brigadier D.G.Ridgeway,D.S.O.
Wing Commander R.H.Verney,O.B.E.
Lt.Colonel J.Morrison.
Major C.A.Boyle,D.S.O.
Captain H.Bullock.

President,
Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for

Committee Meeting to be held on Tuesday the 17th September 1929.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 6th May 1929.

2. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews in the journals for April and July 1929.

3. To consider the award of MacGregor Memorial medals for 1929.

4. To consider the award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1929.

5. To select a subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition , 1930.

6. To consider proposals regarding the Staff.-

(a) As the Superintendent is proceeding to the U.K. on 90 days leave, it was proposed to replace him temporarily by Conductor J.M.Bolton.

(b) Proposed that the clerk, Mr. S.S.Verma, be sanctioned an increase in salary.

7. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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* Members of the Committee are asked to have definite proposals for consideration.

Minutes of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room, Army Headquarters, at 10 a.m. on Tuesday the 17th September 1929.

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PRESENT.

Major-General S.F.Muspratt,CBI.,CIE.,DSO.,A.D.C. (President).
Brigadier H.C.Jackson,CB.,CMG.,DSO.,A.D.C.
Major A.F.R.Lumby,CIE.,OBE.
Major T.C.E.Barstow,OBE.
Lt-Colonel J.Morrison.
Major C.A.Boyle,DSO.
Major G.E.Henderson (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meetings held on the 6th May 1929 were read and confirmed.

2. The premia awarded for articles and reviews in the journals for April and July 1929 were passed.

3. The following awards of the MacGregor Memorial Medals for the year 1929, as recommended by H.E. the Commander-in-Chief, were approved, subject to confirmation by the Council:-

(i) Silver Medal for soldiers, with Rs. 100/- gratuity.
No. 26 Naik Abdul Hanan, N.W.F. Corps.

(ii) Special additional Silver Medal for soldiers, without gratuity (vide para 3 of the rules).
No. 1780 Daffadar Ghulam Ali, Guides Cavalry.

4. The following award of the Judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1929, was accepted, subject to confirmation by the Council:-

Major L.E.Dennys,M.C., 4/12th F.F.Regiment.....Gold Medal.

5. The following subject was selected for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1930:-

"With the development of our frontier policy the tribesmen are gradually finding it more and more difficult to pursue their normal avocation of raiding; economic conditions in tribal territory, however, remain much as they were.
Discuss how best we can assist the economic development of tribal territory and provide a field of employment for the rising generation of tribesmen".

6. (a) The proposal to replace the Superintendent by Mr. J.T.Holtam, during his absence on 90 days leave, was concurred in.

(b) It was decided to increase the salary of the Clerk, Mr. [illegible] Rs. 25/- to Rs. 100/- by three annual increments of Rs. [illegible]

7. Renovations and repairs to the building and furniture at an estimated cost of Rs. 470/- was approved.

Major-General,
President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for

Executive Committee meeting to be held on Friday, 16th May 1930.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting ~~xx xx~~ held on the 17th September 1929.
2. To consider the auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1929.
3. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews in the journals for October 1929, January and April 1930.
4. Staff:-
   (i) To consider the appointment of a Secretary vice Major G.B.Henderson going Home, subject to confirmation by the Council.
   (ii) To confirm Condr. J.S.Bolton in the appointment of Superintendent vice Condr. J.C.Alford vacated on leaving Army Headquarters.
5. To consider the question of dealing with accounts of certain members which are in arrears.
6. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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Minutes of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room, Army Headquarters, at 10 a.m. on Friday the 16th May 1930.

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PRESENT.

Major-General S.F.Muspratt, C.S.I., C.I.E., D.S.O. (President).
Brigadier H.C.Jackson, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Colonel J.Morrison.
Major A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.
Major C.A.Boyle, D.S.O.
Major G.B.Henderson (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 17th September 1929 were read and confirmed.

2. The auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1929 were passed for presentation to the Council.

3. The premia awarded for articles and reviews in the journals for October 1929 and January and April 1930 were passed.

4. (i) Major W.J.Slim, M.C., was appointed Secretary with effect from 21st May 1930 vice Major G.B.Henderson, vacated, subject to the approval of the Council.

   (ii) The appointment of Condr. J.B.Bolton as Superintendent, vice Condr. J.C.Alford, vacated, was confirmed.

5. The case of certain members who are in arrears was discussed and the Secretary was authorized to remove their names from the membership roll and write off the amounts due from them. The total sum involved was Rs. 210/-.

Major-General,
President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for

Council meeting to be held on Friday the 16th May 1930.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 6th May 1929.
2. To read the President's report on the year's working.
3. To consider the auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1929.
4. To confirm the award of MacGregor Memorial medal for 1929.
5. To confirm the award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1929.
6. To confirm the selection by the Executive Committee of the subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1930.
7. To approve of the appointment of a Secretary vice Major G.B.Henderson going Home.
8. To elect a President and six members from the Council to form the Executive Committee.
9. To appoint 3 judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1930.
10. To consider the question of lectures during the Simla season (in this connection it is requested that members should, if possible, have definite proposals for lectures to put forward).
11. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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Minutes of the COUNCIL meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room, Army Headquarters, at 10-30 a.m. on Friday the 16th May 1930.

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PRESENT.

Air Marshal Sir W.Geoffrey H.Salmond,K.C.B.,K.C.M.G.,D.S.O. (President).

Major-General D.Deane,C.B.,D.S.O.

Major-General A.W.H.M.Moens,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.

Major-General S.F.Muspratt,C.S.I.,C.I.E.,D.S.O.

Sir David Petrie,Kt.,C.I.E.,C.V.O.,C.B.E.,M.A.

Brigadier E.D.Giles,C.M.G.,D.S.O.

Colonel L.F.Collins,D.S.O.,O.B.E.

Major A.F.R.Lumby,C.I.E.,O.B.E.

Major G.B.Henderson (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th May 1929 were rea and confirmed.
2. The President read his report for 1929, a copy of which is attached.
3. The auditors report and balance sheet for the year ended 31 December 1929 were passed.
4. The awards of the MacGregor Memorial medals for 1929 were confirmed.
5. The award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1929, was confirmed. A vote of thanks to the judges was passed.
6. The selection by the Executive Committee of the subject fo the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1930, was approved. In this connection Sir David Petrie suggested that, in vie of the number of civilian members, a military subject shou not always be chosen. Major-General Moens further suggest that the subject chosen should not always be on frontier matters.

The Council directed that these two suggestions should be given consideration by the Executive Committee when deciding on the subject for the next Gold Medal Essay.

7. The appointment of Major W.J.Slim,M.C., as Secretary, vice Major G.B.Henderson, with effect from 21st May 1930 was approved.

8. The following were elected to form the Executive Committee:-

Major-General S.F.Muspratt,C.S.I.,C.I.E.,D.S.O. (President)
Major-General A.W.H.M.Moens,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.
Sir David Petrie,Kt.,C.I.E.,C.V.O.,C.B.E.,M.A.
Brigadier H.F.E.MacMahon,C.B.E.,M.C.,A.D.C.
Air Commodore R.H.Mills,C.B.,M.C.,A.F.C.
Colonel L.F.Collins,D.S.O.,O.B.E.
Major A.F.R.Lumby,C.I.E.,O.B.E.

9. It was decided that the following be asked to act as judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1930:-

Lt.-General Sir Cyril Macmullen,K.C.B.,C.M.G.,C.I.E.,D.S.O.
Major-General D.Deane,C.B.,D.S.O. (agreed)
Mr. E.B.Howell,C.S.I.,C.I.E.,I.C.S. or Mr. J.M.Ewart, C.I.E.,I.C.S.

10. It was decided that not less than three lectures be delivered in Simla during the A.H.Q. Staff College Course, the details being left to the Secretary to arrange.

11. It was decided to spend about Rs. 600/- on renovations and repairs to the building and furniture during 1930.

W. G. Malleson
Maj-Gen

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT for 1929.

GENERAL.

The year has been a satisfactory one.

MEMBERSHIP.

On 31st December 1929 the number of members and subscribers was:-

Life Members.....	408
Ordinary Members.....	1231
Subscribers.....	157
	1796.

During the year 81 new members joined, 92 resigned, 16 were struck off for non-payment of subscriptions and 8 died. Th nett decrease in membership during the year is 35. This decreas is almost wholly due to an abnormally large number of senior Indian Army officers having retired and of British Service officers having left India permanently.

It is remarkable that only about 5% of Indian Army subalterns are members of the Institution against 38% of captain Efforts will be made during 1930 to induce a larger number of junior officers to become members.

The number of subscribers fell from 164 to 157.

FINANCIAL POSITION.

The Institution is in a sound financial position. The surplus on the year's working is Rs. 1155/-.

Post Office Cash Certificates to the value of Rs. 6000/- were cashed in 1928 on maturity, but a further purchase to the extent of Rs. 6000/- was made in 1929. Rs. 4000/- were placed on fixed deposit a/c for one year at 4% per annum; this deposit has been renewed.

The market value of investments now amounts to Rs.17444/- as against Rs. 8632 in 1928. The face value is Rs. 20,000/-. This large increase is due to the fact that we now invest as much money as possible instead of allowing it to lie idle in our current account. During the year a Saving's Bank account with Lloyds Bank was opened, in which all cash not required to meet

immediate expenses is placed on interest at 4% per annum. On 31/12/29 the balance of this account was Rs. 2615/-.

THE JOURNAL.

The cost of printing decreased slightly, and the amount paid as premia for articles published fell from Rs. 3102/- to Rs.2510/-.

TACTICAL SCHEMES.

These include copies or precis of lectures and schemes with suggested solutions and, when necessary, maps. They are in considerable demand and the sales have increased from Rs.532/- in 1928 to Rs. 1011/- in 1929.

LIBRARY.

In addition to those presented by publishers, Rs. 1760/- worth of books were purchased during 1929. It is evident that outstation members appreciate and take advantage of the concession of having books sent to them post free.

LECTURES.

During the Staff College Course at Simla three lectures were given by Colonels Phillimore and Martel and Wing Commander MacLean. They were well attended.

W. G. Birdwood
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President of the Council of the United Service Institution of India.

A G E N D A

for the Executive Committee meeting to be held on 18th September 1930.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 16th May 1930.

2. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews in the Journal for July 1930.

3. To consider the award of MacGregor Memorial medal for 1930.

4. To consider the award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1930.

5. To select a subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1931. (Four suggestions are attached)

6. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Proceedings of a meeting of the Executive Committee held on Thursday the 18th September 1930, at 11.0 a.m., in the Committee Room, General Staff Branch, Army Headquarters, Simla.

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PRESENT.-

Sir David Petrie, Kt., C.I.E., C.V.O., C.B.E. (Actg. President).
Air Commodore R.P.Mills, C.B., M.C., A.F.C.
Lieut.-Colonel R.P.St.V.Bernard, D.S.O., M.C.
Major A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.
Major C.A.Boyle, D.S.O.
Major A.V.T.Wakely, M.C., R.E.
Captain R.B.Emerson, R.E.
Major W.J.Slim, M.C. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 16th May 1930 were read and confirmed.
2. The premia awarded for articles and reviews published in the Journal for July 1930 were passed.
3. The award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal and gratuity for the year 1930 were approved subject to confirmation by the Council.
4. The award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1930 was confirmed, and the award of a gold medal and Rs. 150/- to the winner approved subject to confirmation by the Council.
5. The following was selected as the subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1931:-

"Discuss the organization and control of the military, naval and air forces in India during the future advance towards responsible government and after, and their relation to the police and other civil forces of the Crown".

D. Petrie.
President,
Executive Committee, United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

AGENDA

for the

Executive Committee meeting to be held on Monday the 18th May, 1931

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 18th September 1930.

2. To consider, for presentation to the Council, the Auditor's repo and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1930.

3. To confirm the award of premia for articles and reviews publishe in the Journals for October 1930 and January and April 1931.

4. To consider the number and subjects of the lectures to be delive during 1931.

5. To select three judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competitio 1931.

6. To consider a letter from the R.U.S.I., London.

7. To consider the question of dealing with the accounts of certain members who are in arrears with their subscriptions.

8. Staff-

(i) To consider the question of extending the appointment of Major W.J.Slim,M.C., as Secretary, for a further period of one year, subject to confirmation by the Council.

(ii) To appoint Captain W.E.Maxwell to officiate as Secretary during the absence, on leave, of Major W.J.Slim,M.C., subject to the approval of the Council.

9. To transact any other business that may be brought before the Committee.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held in the U.S.I. of India on Monday the 18th May 1931, at 6.15 p.m.

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PRESENT.

Major-General J.E.S.Brind,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O. (President).
Major C.A.Boyle,D.S.O.
Captain W.E.Maxwell (Offg. Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 18th September 1930 were read and confirmed.

2. The Auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1930 were passed for presentation to the Council.

3. The premia awarded for articles and reviews published in the Journals for October 1930 and January and April 1931 were passed.

4. It was decided, subject to approval by the Council, that the following series of lectures be delivered during July and August 1931:-

1. "Round Table Conference and After", by Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru.
2. "Waziristan - Past, Present and Future", by Mr. Howell.
3. "The Intelligence Service of a Modern Newspaper", by Mr. Peterson.
4. "Civil Aviation", by Mr. Tymms,

and if one additional is required-

5. "The Control of a Frontier - French Morocco", by Lt-Colonel Channer.

5. It was decided to recommend to the Council that the three judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1931 be selected from the following:-

Mr. G.M.Young,C.I.E.,I.C.S.
Mr. J.M.Dunnett,C.I.E.,I.C.S.
Major-General C.H.L.Freeth,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.
Mr. H.Williamson,C.I.E.,M.B.E.
Colonel J.D.Greer,D.S.O.

6. A letter dated 26th March 1931 from the Secretary Royal United Service Institution London, regarding reciprocal arrangements between the R.U.S.I. and the U.S.I. of India, was considered. It was decided to depute Major Slim, now on leave in England, to visit the Secretary, R.U.S.I. to discuss the matter and submit proposals for consideration by the Committee.

7. The Committee approved the write off as irrecoverable of Rs. 239/9, being the amount of subscriptions due from eight members who have retired from the Army. The debtors names are to be removed from the roll of members.

8. The following decisions regarding the Staff were made, subject to approval by the Council:-

(i) That Major W.J.Slim's appointment as Secretary be extended for a further year, i.e., until May 1932.

(ii) That Captain W.E.Maxwell, 10th Baluch Regiment, be appointed to officiate as Secretary during the absence on leave of Major Slim, i.e., until November 1931.

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Major-General,

President, Executive Committee, United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Council meeting to be held on Tuesday the 19th May, 1931.

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AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 16th May 1930.
2. To consider the Auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1930.
3. To confirm the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for the year 1930.
4. To confirm the award of the judges of the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for the year 1930.
5. To hear the President's report for the year 1930.
6. To confirm the Executive Committee's selection of the subjects for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1931.
7. To appoint three judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1931.
8. To consider the Executive Committee's proposals for lectures to be delivered during 1931.
9. To elect a President and six members from the Council to form the Executive Committee for 1931-32.
10. To consider-
    (i) the reappointment as Secretary for one year, i.e. until May 1932, of Major W.J.Slim.
    (ii) the appointment of Captain W.E.Maxwell as officiating Secretary during the absence on leave of Major W.J.Slim, i.e. until November 1931.
11. To transact any other business that may be brought before the Council.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of a Council meeting held in the Committee Room, General Staff Branch, Army Headquarters, at 10 a.m. on Tuesday the 19th May 1931.

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PRESENT.-

Lt-General Sir Kenneth Wigram, K.C.B., C.S.I., C.I.E., D.S.O. (President)

Lt-General Sir C.Norman Macmullen, K.C.B., C.M.G., C.I.E., D.

E.B.Howell, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.

C.W.Gwynne, Esq., C.I.E., O.B.E., I.C.S.

Major-General W.H.S.Nickerson, C.B., C.M.G., M.B.

Major-General D.Deane, C.B., D.S.O.

Major-General J.E.S.Brind, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

Major-General H.F.E.MacMahon, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.

Brigadier C.P.Heywood, C.M.G., D.S.O., A.D.C.

Brigadier C.G.Ling, D.S.O., M.C.

Colonel L.P.Collins, D.S.O., O.B.E.,

Lt-Colonel W.H.G.Baker, D.S.O.

Flight-Lieut. E.L.Ardley.

Captain W.E.Maxwell (Offg. Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 16th May 1930 were read and confirmed.

2. The Auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1930 were passed.

3. The awards of the MacGregor Memorial medal and gratuity for 19 were confirmed. The Secretary was, however, directed to obtai and circulate privately to members of the Council, details of work for which the awards were made.

4. The award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competit 1930, was confirmed. A vote of thanks to the judges was passe

5. The President read his report for 1930, a copy of which is attached.

6. The selection by the Executive Committee of the subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1931 was approved.

7. The proposals of the Executive Committee in connection with the selection of judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1931, were considered, and it was decided to ask the following to act as judges:-

Lt.General Wardrop, Air Vice-Marshal Steel and one of the following three gentlemen Mr. Haig, Mr. Dunnett or Mr. Mackworth Young.

8. The Executive Committee's arrangements for the lectures to be delivered during 1931 were approved.

9. The following were elected to form the Executive Committee for 1931-32:-

Major-General J.E.S.Brind, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. (President).
C.W.Gwynne, Esq., C.I.E., O.B.E., I.C.S.
Major-General H.F.E.MacMahon, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.
Brigadier C.P.Heywood, C.M.G., D.S.O., A.D.C.
Colonel L.P.Collins, D.S.O., O.B.E.
Lt-Colonel W.H.G.Baker, D.S.O.
Flight-Lieut. E.L.Ardley.

10. The reappointment of Major W.J.Slim, M.C., as Secretary for one year, i.e., until May 1932, was confirmed, and also the appointment of Captain W.E.Maxwell as officiating Secretary during the absence on leave of Major W.J.Slim, M.C., i.e., until November 1931.

Lt-General.
President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR, 1930.

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GENERAL.

The year has been a satisfactory one. The income was greater than in 1929, while expenditure decreased by Rs. 2000/-. The excess of income over expenditure was Rs. 3792/- as against Rs. 1155/- during the previous year.

MEMBERSHIP.

During the year the special efforts made to increase our membership resulted in 167 new members being obtained. The response from officers of the Civil Services and of junior officers of the Army and Royal Air Force was, however, disappointing.

On the 31st December 1930 the number of members and subscribers was-

Life Members.....407.

Ordinary Members.....1277.

Subscribers.....166.

During the year 167 new members were obtained, 97 resigned, 12 were struck off for non-payment of subscriptions and 13 died. The nett increase in membership was 45. Subscribers increased from 157 to 166.

FINANCIAL POSITION.

The financial position is satisfactory. Establishment and management costs were Rs. 1112/- less than in 1929 and a sum of Rs. 4000/- was placed in fixed deposit at 4% per annum with Messrs Lloyds Bank.

The investments were thereby increased from Rs. 17,444/- to Rs. 21,444/- at cost price, with a face value of Rs. 24,000/-. In addition the cash balance at the close of the year was Rs. 6,700/-, of which Rs. 2,400/- are held in our Saving's Bank account bearing interest at 4%.

THE JOURNAL.

There are signs that the Services are taking an increasing interest in the Journal. The number of articles received for publication is in excess of needs and there has been a distinct improvement in their quality and variety.

TACTICAL SCHEMES.

The demand for tactical schemes, with suggested solutions, and precis of lectures, specially prepared to assist officers studying for and coaching others for examinations, increased during the year and sales amounted to Rs. 1176/-.

LIBRARY.

An invitation to the leading publishers to supply, for review by the Institution, new books of interest to the Services met with a satisfactory response, and a considerable number of good books was received during the year. In addition, books costing Rs. 1100/- were purchased.

The concession to members at outstations whereby they can have books from the Library sent to them post free is very popular

LECTURES.

During the Staff College Course at Simla five lectures were given. All were well attended.

Kenneth Wigram

Lieut-General.

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

Minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held in the Committee Room, General Staff Branch, Army Headquarters, on Tuesday the 19th May, 1931, at 10.30 a.m.

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PRESENT.

Major-General J.E.S.Brind, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. (President).
C.W.Gwynne, Esq., C.I.E., O.B.E., I.C.S.
Major-General H.F.E.MacMahon, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.
Brigadier C.P.Heywood, C.M.G., D.S.O., A.D.C.
Colonel L.P.Collins, D.S.O., O.B.E.
Lt-Colonel W.H.G.Baker, D.S.O.
Flight-Lieut. E.L.Ardley.
Captain W.E.Maxwell (Offg. Secretary).

The following were selected to serve as additional members on the Executive Committee for 1931-32:-

H.Williamson, Esq., C.I.E., M.B.E.
Colonel J.Morrison.
Colonel C.E.Edward-Collins, C.I.E.
F.Tymms, Esq., M.C.
Major C.A.Boyle, D.S.O.

Wilmot Collins
for Major-General,
President, Executive Committee, United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

A G E N D A

for the Executive Committee meeting to be held on 9th September, 1931.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 18th May, 1931.

2. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews in the Journal for July 1931.

3. To consider the award of the MacGregor Memorial medals for 1931.

4. To consider the award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1931.

5. To select a subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1932. (Four suggestions are attached.)

6. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held at the U.S.I. of India on Wednesday the 9th September 1931, at 6.15 p.m.

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PRESENT.

1. Major-General J.E.S.Brind,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O. (President).
2. Major-General H.F.E.MacMahon,C.B.,C.B.E.,M.C.
3. H.Williamson, Esq.,C.I.E.,M.B.E.
4. Brigadier J.Morrison.
5. Colonel C.E.Edward-Collins,C.I.E.
6. F.Tymms, Esq.,M.C.
7. Lt.Colonel W.H.G.Baker,D.S.O.
8. Major C.A.Boyle,D.S.O.
9. Squadron Leader E.L.Ardley.
10. Captain W.E.Maxwell (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 18th May 1931 were read and confirmed.

2. The premia awarded for articles and reviews published in the Journal for July 1931 were passed.

3. The following awards of the MacGregor Memorial medals for the year 1931, as recommended by H.E. the Commander-in-Chief, were approved, subject to confirmation by the Council:-

(i) Silver Medal for Officers.

Captain R.L.O'Connor, 1/9th Jat Regiment.

(ii) Silver Medal for Soldiers, with gratuity of Rs. 100/-.

Naik Khial Badshah, 1/13th F.F. Rifles.

4. The award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1931 was confirmed, and the award of a gold medal and Rs. 150/- to the winner approved subject to confirmation by the Council.

The following was selected as the subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1932:-

"Disarmament and its effect on the foreign policy of the British Empire".

6. The Committee approved the write off, as irrecoverable, of Rs. 523/1/-, being the amount of subscriptions due from certain members, who have been in arrears for two or three years. The debtors names are to be removed from the roll of members.

Major-General,
President, Executive Committee, United Service Institution of India.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee meeting to be held on Wednesday the 1st June 32.

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AGENDA.

1. To reand and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 9th September 1931.

2. To consider, for presentation to the Council, the Auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1931.

3. To confirm the award of premia for articles and reviews published in the Journals for October 1931, and January and April 1932.

4. To select three judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1932.

5. To consider the re-appointment of Major W.J.Slim,M.C., as Secretary, for a further period of one year.

6. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on the 1st June 1932, in the General Staff Committee Room, at 10.00 a.m.

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PRESENT.

Major-General H.F.E.MacMahon, C.B., C.I.E., M.C. (President,)
Brigadier J.Morrison.
H.Williamson, Esq., C.I.E., M.B.E.
Colonel C.E.Edward-Collins, C.I.E.
F.Tymms, Esq., M.C.
Major C.A.Boyle, D.S.O.
Major W.J.Slim, M.C. (Secretary.)

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 9th September 1931, were read and confirmed.

2. The Auditor's report and the balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1931 were passed for presentation to the Council. In this connection it was suggested that the Executive Committee should examine the present investments of the institution with a view to discovering whether they could not be made more profitable.

3. The awards of premia for articles and reviews published in the Journals for October 1931 and January and April 1932 were passed.

4. It was agreed that three of the following be asked to act as judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1932-

Lt.-General Sir Walter Leslie Mr. Tottenham
Sir David Petrie Mr. Metcalfe Mr. Gwynne.

5. Major W.J.Slim, M.C. was recommended for reappointment as Secretary of the Institution for a further period of one year.

Major-General,
President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Council meeting to be held on Wednesday the 1st June 1932.

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AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 19th May 1931.

2. To hear the President's report on the year's working.

3. To consider the Auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1931.

4. To confirm the award of the MacGregor Memorial medals for the year 1931.

5. To confirm the award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1931.

6. To confirm the Executive Committee's selection of the subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Compeititon for 1932.

7. To appoint three judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1932.

8. To consider the re-appointment of Major W.J.Slim,M.C., as Secretary, for a further year, i.e., until May 1933.

9. To consider the number and subjects of lectures to be delivered during 1932. (In this connection it is requested that members should, if possible, have definite proposals to put forward - A list of lectures delivered during the last three years is enclosed for guidance.)

10. To elect a President and Six members from the Council to form the Executive Committee for 1932-33.

11. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Council meeting held in the Committee Room, General Staff Branch, Army Headquarters, at 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday the 1st June 1932.

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PRESENT.-

Lt-General Sir Kenneth Wigram, K.C.B., C.S.I., C.B.E., D.S.O. (President.)

Lt-General Sir Walter S.Leslie, K.C.B., K.B.E., C.M.G., D.S.O.

Air-Marshal Sir John M.Steel, K.B.E., C.B., C.M.G.

G.R.F.Tottenham, Esq., C.I.E.

Major-General W.L.O.Twiss, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.

Major-General H.F.E.MacMahon, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.

Brigadier J.Morrison.

H.Williamson, Esq., C.I.E., M.B.E.

Lt-Colonel H.L.Ismay, C.B., D.S.O.

Major C.A.Boyle, D.S.O.

Major A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.

Major W.J.Slim, M.C. (Secretary.)

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 19th May 1931 were read and confirmed.

2. The President read his report for 1931, a copy of which is attached.

3. The Auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1931 were accepted.

The Council directed the Executive Committee to examine the present investments of the Institution with a view to discovering whether they could not be made more profitable.

4. The award of the MacGregor Memorial medals for the year 1931 were confirmed.

5. The award of judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1931 was confirmed. Several members of the Council

advisable to publish the Prize Essay for 1931. The President explained the reasons of public policy that had been against publication. He directed the Secretary to circulate the essay to Members of the Council for their opinion on publication and undertook, if a majority were strongly in favour of publication, to approach H.E. the Commander-in-Chief for permission to publish.

6. The Executive Committee's selection of a subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1932 was confirmed. The Council directed that, in future, the subject selected should be reported to the Council at the time of selection and before publication in the Journal.

7. The following were selected to act as judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1932:-

1. Lt.-General Sir Walter Leslie (agreed.).
2. Mr. Tottenham (agreed.).
3. Sir David Petrie or Mr. Metcalfe or Mr. Gwynne.

8. Major W.J.Slim,M.C. was appointed Secretary for a further period of one year, i.e., till May 1933.

9. The Council expressed their thanks to Lt.-Colonel Ismay and Dr. Hutton who had each consented to give a lecture during July. The Secretary was directed to approach Mr. Taylor, Controller of Currency, for a lecture on a financial subject and Mr. Lewis for one on Indian Constitutional developments.

10. The following were elected to form the Executive Committee for the year 1932-33:-

Major-General H.F.E.MacMahon,C.B.,C.B.E.,M.C. (President.).
Major-General W.L.O.Twiss,C.B.,C.B.E.,M.C.
Brigadier C.G.Ling,D.S.O.,M.C.
Brigadier J.Morrison.
Major C.A.Boyle,D.S.O.
Major A.F.R.Lumby,C.I.E.,O.B.E.

11. (i) The Council decided after discussion that, in view of the reduction in membership and the present financial stringency,

the entrance fee should be temporarily waived for one year, i.e., from January 1933, and that new members joining in 1932 after 1st October should be allowed the usual concession, i.e., not be charged an annual subscription for 1933.

(ii) The Council directed the Secretary to investigate the possibility of a future amalgamation between the Institution and the R.U.S.I. in the event of financial conditions becoming worse. No overtures or enquiries in the matter are to be made to the R.U.S.I. without the sanction of the Council.

H Cavendish Bradshaw

Lieut.-General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT ON THE YEAR 1931.

Financial Position of the Institution.

The Auditor's report shows that from a financial point of view 1931 was a very satisfactory year. Compared with 1930 the income, in spite of a write off of Rs. 888/- on account of irrecoverable subscriptions, increased by Rs. 1327/-, while the expenditure decreased by Rs. 904/-. The excess of income over expenditure for the year was Rs. 6023/- as compared with Rs. 3791/- for the previous year.

Establishment and maintenance costs were Rs. 1200/- less than in 1930.

A further sum of Rs. 4000/- was placed on fixed deposit at 4 % interest with Lloyds Bank Ltd. Including this our investments have been increased from Rs. 21,444/- to Rs. 26,455/-. In addition the cash balance at the close of the year was Rs. 5179/- of which Rs. 4111/- are held in our Saving's Bank Account at 4 % interest.

The financial position of the Institution is thus stronger than it has been for many years. While this is a matter for satisfaction there are signs that 1932 will see a drop in income on account of decreased membership.

Membership.

During the year efforts were again made to increase the number of members but the results were disappointing. 118 new members were enrolled but against this 119 resigned, 28 were struck off for non-payment of subscriptions and 9 died, making a nett decrease in membership of 38. Subscribers to the Journal decreased from 166 to 156.

On 31st December 1931, the number of members and subscribers was:-

Life Members.....403

Ordinary Members.....1243

Subscribers.....156.

The loss of members is attributable largely to the

reductions in Service pay and the same factor is very adversely affecting the recruitment of new members. It is for your consideration whether we should not be wise to follow the example of the Royal United Service Institution at Home and temporarily suspend our entrance fee.

The Journal.

Interest in the Journal has been maintained and the number of articles submitted for publication is increasing, but only a small proportion of these are sufficiently valuable and sufficiently well written to justify acceptance. Members of the Council would be doing a good service to the Institution if they could induce any of their acquaintances with special qualifications to contribute articles.

Attempts have been made to increase the advertisement revenues of the Journal but at present business firms are chary of increasing their advertisements in India. Further attempts will be made to attract advrtisements.

The Library.

Members have made increasing use of the concession whereby books are issued on loan postage free, and an increased number have asked the aid of the staff in historical research, etc.

H Beauchamp

Lieut.General,

President of the Council of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room, Army Headquarters, at 11.30 a.m. on Wednesday the 1st June 1932.

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PRESENT.-

Major-General H.F.E.MacMahon, C.B., C.B.E., M.C. (President.)

Brigadier J.Morrison.

Major C.A.Boyle, D.S.O.

Major A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.

Major W.J.Slim, M.C. (Secretary.)

The following were elected to serve as additional members on the Executive Committee for 1932-33:-

Brigadier P.S.Stoney.

F.Tymms, Esq., M.C.

Lt-Colonel A.B.Haig, M.C.

Lt-Colonel W.G.H.Vickers, O.B.E.

Wing Commander A.R.C.Cooper.

Captain W.E.Maxwell.

H.F.E.MacMahon.
Major-General,

President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Agenda for Meeting on Tuesday, the 14th June 1932.

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To consider:-

(i) What sums are available or could be made available for investment or re-investment.

(ii) Whether such sums should be invested or re-invested and if so the securities that should be chosen.

(iii) The suggestion that to save the cost of exchange on members' cheques the Institution should open a current account in Bombay.

(iv) Any other business placed before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room, Army Headquarters, at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday the 14th June 1932.

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PRESENT.-

Major-General H.F.E.MacMahon, C.B., C.B.E., M.C. (President.)
Major-General W.L.O.Twiss, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.
Brigadier J.Morrison.
F.Tymms, Esq., M.C.
Lt.-Colonel A.B.Haig, M.C.
Lt.-Colonel W.G.H.Vickers, O.B.E.
Wing Commander A.R.C.Cooper.
Major C.A.Boyle, D.S.O.
Major W.J.Slim, M.C. (Secretary.)

1. Amount available for investment.

The Secretary explained that Lloyds Bank had agreed to the withdrawal, if required, of Rs. 8000/- from the Fixed Deposit account. This would entail a sacrifice of only about Rs. 20/- interest. On 13/6/32 the Saving's Bank account was in credit Rs. 9194/- and the current account Rs. 4533/-. The estimated excess of expenditure over income up to December 1932 was Rs. 8400/-, and funds should be available at short call to meet this. By withdrawing Rs. 8000/- from Fixed Deposit and Rs. 4000/- from Saving's bank, Rs. 12,000/- could at a conservative estimate be made available for investment. It would not be advisable to lock up more than this if there were real danger of the Government Grant of Rs. 9000/- per annum being withdrawn. If the Committee were of opinion that this Grant would not be withdrawn or at the most only reduced by half, it would be safe to invest Rs. 15,000/-.

The Committee discussed this and decided that, as it was unlikely that the Government Grant would be totally withdrawn, Rs. 15,000/- should be considered as available for investment.

2. Form of investment.

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The Committee was unanimous in deciding that the Government of India 5½ per cent 1938-40 Loan at its present price of 98 was the most advantageous investment open to the Institution. The Secretary was instructed to withdraw Rs. 8000/- from Fixed Deposit and Rs. 7000/- from Saving's Bank and Current accounts, and to purchase Rs. 15,000/- worth of this loan.

3. Current account in Bombay.

The Committee considered the question of opening a current account in Bombay to save exchange on members' cheques. It was decided that the advantages were too problematical to justify the additional clerical labour and cost of keeping the account.

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Major-General,
President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee held in New Delhi on 20th December 1932.

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1. Present.

Major-General H.F.E.MacMahon, C.B., C.B.E., M.C. (President).
Colonel A.B.Haig, M.C.
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Major A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.
Major W.J.Slim, M.C. (Secretary).

2. Appointment of Secretary and Editor.

The Chairman explained that Major W.J.Slim would relinquish the appointments of Secretary and Editor on 31st January 1933 and that there were two candidates for the position:-

i. Captain R.N.Gale.

ii. Captain W.E.Maxwell.

The Committee considered the qualifications of these officers and decided unanimously that Captain Maxwell, who had already officiated for eight months, was the more suitable. It was decided therefore to recommend to the Council that Captain Maxwell should be appointed Secretary and Editor with effect from 1st February 1933.

3. Increase in Membership.

The Chairman reminded the Committee that at its last meeting the Council of the Institution, to meet a threatened drop in membership resulting from the financial difficulties of officers, had decided to suspend the Entrance Fee and had directed the Secretary to conduct a campaign to attract new members.

This had been done and the results, in the Chairman's opinion, were very satisfactory. In 1932 up to the 1st December 360 new members had sent in their names. On the other hand 105 members had been lost by resignations, deaths, struck off and for non-payment of subscription. The nett increase in membership was therefore 255. The total membership on 1st December 1932 was 2006 and this was increasing steadily.

4. Position of Institution.

The Chairman then read out a statement showing the progress of the Institution during the past few years. The financial figures for 1932 are those of the first eleven months of the year with a conservative estimate added for December.

Revenue Account.

	1929.	1930.	1931.	1932.
Income.	27,760	28,460	29,784	29,800
Expenditure.	26,605	24,669	23,761	23,800
Balance.	1,155	3,791	6,023	6,000

Investments & Cash.

	1929.	1930.	1931.	1932.
Investments.	17,444	21,444	25,377	33,287
Cash in Hand and at Bank.	7,592	6,700	5,179	6,214
TOTAL.	25,036	28,144	30,556	39,501

The Committee expressed their satisfaction at the results achieved and ordered that their appreciation of the work of Major W.J.Slim as Secretary and Editor during the past two and half years should be placed on record.

5. Paper of Journal.

The Secretary exhibited specimen copies of the Journal printed on cheaper paper, which would if adopted entail a saving of between Rs. 350 and Rs. 400 per issue on printing and postage. After examination the Committee decided that, unless the financial position became much worse, the cheaper paper should not be used.

President, Executive Committee of the Uni
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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

A G E N D A

for

the Executive Committee meeting to be held on Tuesday, the 23rd May 1933.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 20th December 1932.

2. To confirm the award of Premia for articles and reviews published in the Journal for July & October 1932 and January and April 1933.

3. To sanction the write off of certain amounts outstanding in the accounts in respect of subscrptions which are irrecoverable.

4. To consider:-

   (i) The Auditor's report and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December 1932 for presentation to the Council.

   (ii) The question of renewing the lease of the U.S.I. building which expires on 1/8/33.

   (iii) A letter from Captain A.A.Shah, Kashmir Artillery, regarding the eligibility or otherwise of officers of the Indian State Forces to compete in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition.

   (iv) A letter from Brigadier I.U.Battye, C.B., D.S.O. (retd.) regarding the possibility of the grant of some concession to meet the position of ordinary members of long standing who, on financial grounds, experience difficulty in keeping up the annual subscription.

   (v) A letter from the Commandant, Indian Military Academy, Dehra Dun, regarding the admission of cadets to membership of the U.S.I. of India and conditions regarding Entrance Fee and Subscription payable.

   (vi) A letter from the Moore-Cottrell Subscription Agencies, New York, and Messrs Stevens & Brown, Ltd., London, regarding the sale of the Journal to the general public on commercial lines.

   (vii) Letters from the London and Simla Branches of Messrs Lloyds Bank Ltd. regarding formal authority for the accounts of the U.S.I.

   (viii) The question of recataloguing the books in the Library with a view to the compilation of an up-to-date catalogue.

   (ix) The question of revising the rates for advertisements in the Journal.

   (x) The lectures to be delivered during 1933.

   (xi) The question of selecting a subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1934.

5. To transact such other business as may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held at the U.S.I. of India on Tuesday the 23rd May 1933, at 5.15 p.m.

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PRESENT.-

Major-General J.E.S.Brind, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. (President).
Major-General W.L.O.Twiss, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.
Brigadier J.Morrison.
Lt-Colonel W.G.H.Vickers, O.B.E.
Wing Commander A.R.C.Cooper.
Major A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.
Captain W.E.Maxwell (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 20th December 1932 were read and confirmed.

2. The premia awarded for articles and reviews published in the Journal for July and October 1932 and January and April 1933 were passed.

3. The question of the write off of outstanding arrears due from certain members was considered and it was decided that the Secretary and some of the Executive Committee should address the members concerned once again asking them to settle their outstanding accounts. For the future it was decided that only 3 reminders should be issued to a member owing his subscription and that thereafter the supply of the Journals should cease.

4. The Auditor's report and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December 1932 were passed for presentation to the Council.

5. It was decided that the ground lease of the Institution should be renewed for a further period of 25 years under the existing conditions or, if possible, at a reduced ground rent and that the Secretary address the U.S.Club accordingly.

6. A letter from Captain A.A.Shah, Kashmir Artillery, was discussed and it was decided that, in the future, officers of the Indian States Forces shall be permitted to

Institution to be amended accordingly.

7. Letters from Brigadier I.U.Tatlye,C.B.,D.S.O. and Sir Evelyn Howell,K.C.I.E.,C.S.I., on the subject of a possible reduction in the rate of subscription to retired members of long standing, were considered. It was decided that members of 10 years standing or over, on retirement from the Service, be charged 10s./6d. only in lieu of the annual subscription of Rs. 10/-.

8. A representation from the Commandant, Indian Military Academy, regarding the eligibility of Cadets for membership of the U.S.I., was considered. It was decided that Cadets may join under the existing rates of subscription and that when the Entrance Fee (which is suspended for the current year) is reimposed the question of the exemption of Cadets from payment of Entrance fees be reconsidered.

9. The applications from two firms, enquiring whether they could obtain the Journal at reduced rates for sale on a commercial basis in foreign countries, was discussed. It was decided that the proposal could not be agreed to. At the same time the Secretary placed before the meeting a list of foreigners at present receiving the Journals, including Institutions, etc., who receive the Journal on an exchange basis. The Secretary was requested to find out further particulars regarding the bonafides of certain foreign individuals now on the subscription list.

10. The question of recataloguing the books of the Library was discussed. The existing catalogue was compiled in 1924 to which an addendum was issued in 1927. The lack of an up to date catalogue is felt by members and it was decided to take this matter in hand at once. The Secretary was directed to approach Major H.Cheetham,O.B.E. who recently retired from the Q.M.G.'s Branch and who has experience of the work required, with a view to the recataloguing of all books in the Library.

Major Cheetham will be in Dale until the Autumn and

it was agreed that he be offered a fee of Rs. 400/- on completion of the new catalogue for publication towards the end of the year.

11. The question of reducing the rates and increasing revenue in respect of advertisements in the Journal was discussed and the Secretary was empowered to utilise his own discretion in the matter of rates chargeable, And report to the Executive Committee. The Secretary to get into touch with reliable agents for advertisements in India and at Home.

12. It was decided, subject to approval by the Council, that lectures on the following subjects be delivered during 1933:-

1. "Mount Everest Expedition", by Mr. Ruttledge.
2. "Afghanistan", by Sir R.Maconochie.
3. "An Air Lecture". To be arranged later.

13. The question of selecting a subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1934 was considered and it was decided that, as usual, the Secretary should address the members of the Council, asking for their suggestions, in time for publication in the usual way in the October issue of the Journal.

14. The result of the ballot in respect of the annual election of the seven members of the Council for 1933-34 was read out, as follows:-

1. Major-General J.E.S.Brind,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.
2. Sir David Petrie,Kt.,C.I.E.,C.V.O.,C.B.E.,M.A.
3. Brigadier the Viscount Cort,V.C.,C.B.E.,D.S.O., M.V.O.,M.C.
4. Colonel A.E.Crasett,D.S.O.,M.C.
5. Lt-Colonel W.G.H.Vickers,O.B.E.
6. Squadron Leader W.F.Dickson,D.S.O.,A.F.C.
7. Major A.F.R.Lumby,C.I.E.,O.B.E.

15. The question of the investment of the sum of Rs. 8000/- at present on Fixed deposit with Lloyd's Bank was discussed. The amount in question was placed in Fixed deposit for a period of one year from May 1932 @ 4 p.c. [illegible]

will be admissible in future, and in the circumstances the Secretary was directed to ascertain other desirable sources of investment in Government securities with a view to obtaining a better return in the matter of interest.

Major-General,
President, Executive Committee of the U.S.I. of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

A G E N D A

for

the Council meeting to be held on Friday the 23rd June 1933.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 1st June 1932.
2. To hear the President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1932.
3. To consider the Auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1932.
4. To confirm the award of the MacGregor Memorial medals for the year 1932.
5. To confirm the award of the Judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, 1932.
6. To confirm the selection of the subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1933.
7. To confirm the number and subjects of lectures to be delivered during 1933.
8. To appoint three judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1933.
9. To elect a President and six members from the Council to form the Executive Committee for the year 1933-34.
10. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the COUNCIL meeting held in the Committee Room, General Staff Branch, Army Headquarters, at 10 a.m. on Friday the 23rd June 1933.

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PRESENT.

General Sir Kenneth Wigram, K.C.B., C.S.I., C.B.E., D.S.O. (President).
Lt.-General Sir Walter S.Leslie, K.C.B., K.B.E., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Lt.-General Sir Alexander E.Wardrop, K.C.B., C.M.G.,
Major-General W.L.O.Twiss, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.
Major-General G.H.Addison, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Major-General W.H.S.Nickerson, V.C., C.B., C.M.G., M.B.
Sir David Petrie, Kt., C.I.E., C.V.O., C.B.E., M.A.
Brigadier A.F.Hartley, D.S.O.
Brigadier The Viscount Gort, V.C., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.V.O., M.C.
Colonel A.E.Grasett, D.S.O., M.C.
Lt.-Colonel W.G.H.Vickers, O.B.E.
Major A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.
Captain W.E.Maxwell (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 1st June 1932 were read and confirmed.
2. The President read his report for 1932, a copy of which is attached.
3. The Auditor's report and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 1932 were passed by the Council.
4. The award of the MacGregor Memorial medals for the year 1932 was confirmed. The Council directed the Secretary to obtain advice regarding the legality of officers of the R.A.F. and R.I.M. becoming eligible for the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal.
5. The award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1932 was confirmed.
6. The subjects selected for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for the year 1933 were confirmed.
7. The subjects of the lectures to be delivered during 1933, as recommended by the Executive Committee, (minute 12 of their meeting of the 2nd May 1933) were confirmed.

8. The following were selected to act as judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1933.-

1. Lt.General Sir Alexander E.Wardrop,K.C.B.,C.M.G.
2. Major-General E.D.Giles,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.
3. Brigadier The Viscount Gort,V.C.,C.B.E.,D.S.O., M.V.O.,M.C.
4. G.R.F.Tottenham, Esq.,C.I.E.,M.L.A.,I.C.S.

9. The undermentioned were elected to form the Executive Committee for the year 1933-34:-

Major-General W.L.O.Twiss,C.B.,C.B.E.,M.E. (President).
Sir David Petrie,Kt.,C.I.E.,C.V.O.,C.B.E.,M.A.
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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1932.

FINANCE.

I am pleased to be able to announce that the Institution has enjoyed another successful year. It will be seen from the Auditor's report that the excess of income over expenditure is Rs. 3994/2/1; and this must be considered as very satisfactory having regard to the general financial situation and the fact that the Entrance Fee was temporarily suspended. It is interesting to record that the profits for 1930 were Rs. 3791/11/8 and for 1931 Rs. 6023/11/6.

In pursuance of the directions of the Council, the Executive Committee examined the investments of the Institution with a view to improving the yield of interest. The flotation of the Government of India 5½ per cent 1938-40 Loan was announced at an opportune time and the Executive Committee purchased Rs. 15,000/- worth of this stock at a price of Rs. 98 %. The purchase money was provided for by withdrawals from our Fixed Deposit and Saving's Bank accounts.

Owing to the small interest now being given on Fixed Deposits in the bank we have also recently purchased Rs. 8,000/- worth of Rs. 1934-37 Government of India 4% Loan. Our investments now total approximately Rs. 44,195/- (market value) yielding an annual profit of about Rs. 2,000/-.

MEMBERSHIP.

Faced with the prospect of a further reduction in membership due to the pay cuts, special efforts were made to attract new members with the following results- 394 new members were obtained as against 133 resigned, died or struck off for non-payment of subscriptions. The net increase therefore for the year was 261.

On 31st December 1932 the number of members and subscribers was:-

Life Members	404.
Ordinary Members	*1503.
Subscribers	153.

*Includes 337 newly joined members who, as a result of our propaganda, availed themselves of the special concessions offered as an inducement to join, i.e., exemption from payment of the Entrance Fee and the free supply of Journals for the remainder of the year.

JOURNAL.

I think you will agree that the quality of the articles accepted for publication by the Reading Committee was well up to standard. That interest in the Journal is maintained is evidenced by the increase in membership and the large number of articles submitted for consideration, but, as stated last year, only a small proportion of articles are sufficiently valuable or well written to justify acceptance. Nevertheless the role of the Journal in stimulating thought, and interest in professional topics, amongst officers of the services in India, is well sustained.

It is felt by many subscribers that the Institution would benefit by the publication in the Journal of more articles of a general nature by members of the Civil services, Royal Air Force and Royal Indian Marine, but as the Secretary points out very few contributions from this source are received. I hope the Council will do the best they can to help in this matter.

THE LIBRARY.

During the year the Library has been added to by the purchase of most of the new books published which were considered to be of interest to members.

The facilities offered to members throughout India, whereby books required are sent post free, appear to be very popular and members are availing themselves of the concession in increasing numbers. The need for an up-to-date catalogue of the books in the Library is still felt and I understand this matter has been put in hand by the Secretary, under the instructions of the Executive Committee, and that it is hoped to reclassify the numerous books and to publish a new catalogue by the winter. Members and units have continued to avail themselves of the services of the staff in the matter of historical research work.

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General,
President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

Statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December 1932.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1932.

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THE UNITED SERVICE

Balance Sheet as at

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
CAPITAL.		
As at 1st January, 1932	70,762 13 1	
Add—Excess of Income over expenditure during the year ended 31st December 1932 ..	3,994 2 1	
		74,756 15 2
LIABILITIES.		
Electricity	31 1 0	
Journal Printing and Postage	2,252 8 0	
Audit Fee	225 0 0	
		2,508 9 0
Members and Subscribers at credit		3,124 3 0
Carried over		80,389 11 2

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December* 1932.

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

					Rs.	a.	p.	Rs. a. p.
BUILDING.								
As at 1st January, 1932 ..	..	..			19,833	3	6	
Less—Depreciation @ 1½%	..	..			297	0	0	
								19,536 3 6
LIBRARY BOOKS.								
As at 1st January 1932 ..	..	..			10,708	1	10	
Add—Additions in the year	..	..			1,158	4	10	
					11,866	6	8	
Less—Depreciation—								
@ 5% on opening balance	..	535	0	0				
@ 50% on purchases ..	..	579	0	0	1,114	0	0	
								10,752 6 8
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS.								
As at 1st January, 1932 ..	..	..			2,572	3	0	
Less—Sales in the year ..	..	..			17	0	0	
					2,555	3	0	
Less—Depreciation @ 6%	..	..			153	0	0	
								2,402 3 0
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES.								
As at 1st January, 1932 ..	..	..			3,121	5	0	
Less—Depreciation @ 3%	..	..			94	0	0	
								3,027 5 0
MEDALS AND TROPHIES.								
As at 1st January, 1932 ..	..	..			3,127	14	3	
Less—Depreciation on Rs. 1,245-15-3 Trophies @ 1%	..	..			12	7	0	
								3,115 7 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS.								
Members and Subscribers at debit	..	..						882 10 0
Carried over	..	..						39,716 3 5

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

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THE UNITED SERVICE

Balance Sheet as at

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Brought forward ..		80,389 11 2
Total		80,389 11 2

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December* 1932.

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Brought forward ..		39,716 3 5
INVESTMENTS.		
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures Face Value Rs. 3,000 at 90	2,700 0 0	
Post Office 5-year Cash Certificates at cost—Face Value Rs. 8,500	6,687 0 0	
Post Office 5-year Cash Certificates matured and retained for a further similar period at cost, Face Value Rs. 1,950	1,200 0 0	
5½% bonds 1938-40—Face Value Rs. 15,000 at 98 ..	14,700 0 0	
Fixed deposits with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla ..	8,000 0 0	
	33,287 0 0	
Add—Interest accrued on above	1,373 14 0	34,660 14 0
Deposit with Secretary, A. H. Q. Officers' Library for books	..	133 5 10
Cash Balances—		
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—		
Current Account	4,490 0 10	
Savings Bank Account	1,194 2 0	
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd., London	45 13 4	
With Secretary	31 11 0	
With Superintendent	117 8 9	5,879 3 11
Total		80,389 11 2

SIMLA :

3rd March 1933.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,

Accountants and Auditors.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

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THE UNITED SERVICE

Revenue Account for the year ended

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p
To—			
Establishment		7,564 0 0	
Contingencies		454 8 6	
Printing and Stationery		239 9 6	
Insurance, Rates and Taxes		646 6 0	
Electricity		181 9 0	
Postage and Telegrams		962 7 6	
Exchange and Bank Charges		73 11 8	
Repairs to Building		15 13 0	
Repairs to Furniture and Fittings		1 0 0	
Audit Fee		225 0 0	
			10,364 1 2
Prize Competitions		316 10 8	
Lectures		124 11 0	
			441 5 8
U. S. I. Journal Expenses—			
Printing		7,329 2 0	
Premia		2,259 10 8	
Postage and freight		1,785 7 0	
			11,374 3 8
Arrears of Subscriptions written off			184 14 0
Depreciation—			
Buildings		297 0 0	
Library Books		1,114 0 0	
Furniture and Fittings		153 0 0	
Pictures and Sculptures		94 0 0	
Medals and Trophies		12 7 0	
			1,670 7 0
Surplus—			
Excess of Income over Expenditure			3,994 2 1
Total			28,029 1 7

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31st December 1932.

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—			
Government Grant	..		9,000 0 0
Members and Subscriptions	..		14,360 5 0
Arrears previously written off recovered ..	..		24 3 0
Entrance Fee	334 0 0		
Life Subscriptions	220 0 0		
			554 0 0
Tactical Schemes	888 13 0		
Army List Pages	148 2 0		
			1,036 15 0
Sale of Journal	313 6 0		
Advertisements in Journal ..	935 7 0		
Less—Commission paid ..	25 0 0	910 7 0	
			1,223 13 0
Interest on Investments	..		1,359 5 7
Sale of Periodicals	..		220 8 0
Sale of Catalogues	..		40 0 0
Profit on redemption of 6% U. P. Bonds 1932	..		210 0 0
Total	..		28,029 1 7

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,

Accountants and Auditors.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1932.

FINANCE.

I am pleased to be able to announce that the Institution has enjoyed another
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MEMBERSHIP.

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*Includes 337 newly joined members who, as a result of our Propaganda, availed themselves of the special concessions offered as an inducement to join, i.e., exemption from payment of the Entrance Fee and the free supply of Journals for the remainder of the year.

THE UNITED SERVICE

MACGREGOR

Cash Account for the year

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
To—		
Balance on 1st January, 1932, with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla		872 11 2
Interest on Investments realised, less Bank Commission		218 8 0
Interest on Savings Bank Account		13 5 0
Total		1,104 8 2

Balance Sheet as at

Balance of Fund—		
As at 1st January, 1932	4,530 11 2	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure ..	32 3 0	
		4,562 14 2
Total		4,562 14 2

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

MEMORIAL FUND

ended 31*st December* 1932.

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—			
Gratuity			100 0 0
Medals			99 10 0
Balance with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—			
Current Account	91 9 2		
Savings Bank Account	813 5 0		
			904 14 2
Total			1,104 8 2

31*st December* 1932.

Investments—		
Government Promissory Notes—3½% Face Value Rs. 6,300 @ 58-1-0		3,658 0 0
Balance with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—		
Current Account	91 9 2	
Savings Bank Account	813 5 0	
		904 14 2
Total		4,562 14 2

SIMLA :
3rd March 1933.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,
Accountants and Auditors.

JOURNAL.

I think you will agree that the quality of the articles accepted for publication by the Reading Committee was well up to standard. That interest in the Journal is maintained is evidenced by the increase in membership and the large number of articles submitted for consideration, but, as stated last year, only a small proportion of articles are sufficiently valuable or well written to justify acceptance. Nevertheless the role of the Journal in stimulating thought, and interest in professional topics, amongst officers of the services in India, is well sustained.

It is felt by many subscribers that the Institution would benefit by the publication in the Journal of more articles of a general nature by members of the Civil services, Royal Air Force and Royal Indian Marine, but as the Secretary points out very few contributions from this source are received. I hope the Council will do the best they can to help in this matter.

THE LIBRARY.

During the year the Library has been added to by the purchase of most of the new books published which were considered to be of interest to members.

The facilities offered to members throughout India, whereby books required are sent post free, appear to be very popular and members are availing themselves of the concession in increasing numbers. The need for an up-to-date catalogue of the books in the Library is still felt and I understand this matter has been put in hand by the Secretary, under the instructions of the Executive Committee, and that it is hoped to reclassify the numerous books and to publish a new catalogue by the winter. Members and units have continued to avail themselves of the services of the staff in the matter of historical research work.

Kenneth McRae

General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

Simla.
23/6/33.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room, Army Headquarters, at 11 a.m. on Friday the 23rd June 1933.

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PRESENT.

Major-General W.L.O.Twiss,C.B.,C.B.E.,M.C. (President).
Sir David Petrie,Kt.,C.I.E.,C.V.O.,C.B.E.,M.A.
Brigadier The Viscount Gort,V.C.,C.B.E.,D.S.O.,M.V.O.,M.C.
Brigadier A.F.Hartley,D.S.O.
Colonel A.E.Grasett,D.S.O.,M.C.
Major A.F.R.Lumby,C.I.E.,O.B.E.
Captain W.E.Maxwell (Secretary).

The following were elected to serve as additional members on the Executive Committee for the year 1933-34:-

Ram Chandra, Esq.,C.I.E.,M.B.E.,I.C.S.
H.Williamson, Esq.,C.I.E.,M.B.E.
Colonel C.E.Edward-Collins,C.I.E.
Wing Commander A.R.C.Cooper.
Major D.D.Gracey,M.C.
Major F.E.Morgan.
H.C.B.Jollye, Esq.

W.L.O.Twiss

Major-General,
President, Executive Committee of the U.S.I. of India.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

A G E N D A

for

the Executive Committee meeting to be held on Tuesday the 1st August 1933.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meetings held on the 23rd May and 23rd June 1933.
2. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews published in the Journal for July 1933.
3. To consider letters from the London and Simla branches of Messrs Lloyds Bank Ltd. regarding formal authority for the Secretary to deal with the accounts of the U.S.I. and MacGregor Memorial Fund.
4. To consider the question of investing in Government securities money at present in Saving's Bank Account.
5. To consider whether the value of the U.S.I. building should not be written down annually for the purposes of the premium payable on the Fire Insurance Policy.
6. To consider a letter from Messrs Stronach & Co., putting forward certain proposals regarding advertisements in the Journal.
7. To consider the possibility of reducing the cost of tactical schemes supplied to members by the U.S.I. of India.
8. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held at the U.S.I. of India on Tuesday the 1st August 1933, at 6.30 p.m.

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PRESENT.-

Major-General W.L.O.Twiss,C.B.,C.B.E.,M.C. (President)
Sir David Petrie,Kt.,C.I.E.,C.V.O.,C.B.E.,M.A.
Brigadier The Viscount Gort,V.C.,C.B.E.,D.S.O.,M.V.O.,M.C.
Brigadier A.F.Hartley,D.S.O.
Squadron Leader W.F.Dickson,D.S.O.,A.F.C.
Ram Chandra, Esq.,C.I.E.,M.B.E.,I.C.S.
H.Williamson, Esq.,C.I.E.,M.B.E.
Colonel C.E.Edward-Collins,C.I.E.
Wing Commander A.R.C.Cooper.
Major F.E.Morgan.
H.C.B.Jollye, Esq.
Captain W.E.Maxwell (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meetings held on the 23rd May and 23rd June 1933 were read and confirmed.
2. The premia awarded for articles and reviews published in the Journal for July 1933, ~~was~~ were passed.
3. The proformas received from the London and Simla branches of Messrs Lloyds Bank Ltd, according formal authority for the Secretary to deal with the accounts of the Institution and the MacGregor Memorial Fund, were duly approved and signed by the President.
4. The Committee examined the investments in respect of the U.S.I. and MacGregor Memorial Fund together with a letter of advice tendered by Mr. J.B.Taylor,C.I.E.,I.C.S., Finance Department, Government of India, and agreed that, as the existing investments are very satisfactory, no change is ~~required~~ necessary at present.
5. The Committee agreed that the amount of the Insurance Policy of the U.S.I. be written down annually to agree with the value of the building and property as assessed by the Auditors in the annual Balance Statement, thus reducing the amount in respect of the annual premium accordingly.

The above decision is subject to confirmation by the Insurance Company that, in the event of a claim being submitted, payment will only be made on the assessed value of the building and property as disclosed in the latest Balance Sheet and not on the full amount for which insured.

6. The Committee considered the offer of Messrs Stronach & Co. in respect of advertisements in the Journal and decided that the Secretary should deal with the firm on the following general lines:-

(a) The firm to expand the advertisements and to receive 25 % commission, unless a reduction can be secured.

(b) The existing advertisements to remain in the hands of the Secretary.

(c) No advertisement to be inserted in the body of the Journal between articles.

7. The position in respect of the tactical schemes supplied to members by the Institution, together with the revenue acruing therefrom, was considered. It was decided that in future schemes be supplied at annas eight per copy plus postage. Maps, if any, to be supplied at cost price. The General Staff Branch to be requested to supply annually 70 copies of the schemes prepared for the A.H.Q. Staff College Course.

8. The Committee decided that, in view of the heavy work for the staff involved as a result of unit applications for typewritten copies of old Army Lists and other research work, clerks may be engaged under the Secretary's supervision to assist in this work on a non cost basis, i.e., the cost to be met from the amounts received from units as at present.

9. The Secretary explained the present position in respect of the reclassification of the books in the Library and the progress made towards the compilation of the new catalogue. The Committee decided that the small room adjoining the Reading Room be fitted with suitable cupboards to receive the overflow of books for which accommodation is not available in the Library and to contain the old and valuable books of the Institution withdrawn from circulation.

10. Under the existing rules the MacGregor Memorial Medal may be awarded to officers and soldiers of the Army in India, including the Indian Auxiliary Force, Frontier Militia, Levies, etc., and to those of the Indian States Forces.

The Committee considered the question of amending the footnote to rule 5 of the MacGregor Memorial Fund, to include members of the Royal Air Force, Indian Air Force and the Royal Indian Marine, and after reading the views of the Solicitor to Government, decided to recommend to the Council of the Institution that the rules be amended accordingly i.e. to include all officers and other ranks under the Army Department.

In the meantime it was decided to ascertain, if possible, whether any relatives of the late General MacGregor are traceable, to whom the matter might be referred.

W. L. O'Friss Major-General,

President, Executive Committee, U.S.I. of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

AGENDA

for the Executive Committee meeting to be held on Tuesday the 12th September, 1933, at 6.30 p.m.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 1st August, 1933.
2. To consider the award of the Judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1933.
3. To consider the subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1934, prior to obtaining the approval of the Council.
4. To consider the question of the nomination of Mr. F.V.Jakob, Manager, Lloyds Bank, Simla, as an Honorary Member of the Institution, subject to confirmation by the Council.
5. To sanction the write off of certain outstanding amounts on account of subscriptions regarded as irrecoverable.
6. To read letters received from the London & Lancashire Insurance Company, Ltd., regarding the annual Insurance premium.
7. To note the decision of the Council regarding the amendment of the rules for the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal to members of the R.A.F., I.A.F., and R.I.M.
8. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held at the U.S.I. of India on Tuesday the 12th September 1933, at 6.30 p.m.

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PRESENT.-

Major-General W.L.O.Twiss,C.B.,C.B.E.,M.C. (President).
Sir David Petrie,Kt.,C.I.E.,C.V.O.,C.B.E.,M.A.
Brigadier the Viscount Gort,V.C.,C.B.E.,D.S.O.,M.V.O.,M.C.
Brigadier A.F.Hartley,D.S.O.
Colonel A.E.Grasett,D.S.O.,M.C.
Major F.E.Morgan.
H.C.L.Jollye,Esq.
Captain W.E.Maxwell (Secretary.

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 1st August, 1933, were read and confirmed.

2. The Judges of the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1933, having decided that the standard of the essays submitted was not sufficiently high to merit the award of the Gold Medal, the Committee recommended that no medal be awarded. The Judges recommended that the monetary award of Rs. 150/- should be divided between the authors of the best essay in each class; Rs. 75/- to Captain M.S.Bendle, Hodson's Horse, and Rs. 75/- to Lt-Colonel M.L.A.Gompertz, 3/10th Baluch Regiment.. The Committee concur and decided to publish the essays in the October 1933 and January 1934 issues of the Journal, subject to the approval of the Council. The members of the Council to be circularised in the above sense.

3. The following subjects were selected by the Committee for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition 1934:-

(a) It is often said that Indians are by nature divided into what might be called martial and non-martial races. This is a mere myth....." (p. 65, Indian Military College Committee's Report).

Examine this quotation and state your own conclusions.

(b) The problem of the French in dealing with the tribes on the Southern and Eastern frontiers of Morocco, in the mountainous region of the Atlas, bears strong resemblance to ours on the North-West Frontier of India.

Contrast the two methods of control and administration and state in some detail what is, in your opinion, the best system of defence and control of the North-West Frontier of India (from Chitral to the Persian frontier inclusive).

The above to be circularised to members of the Council for approval.

4. The Committee decided to recommend for ~~sanction~~ approval of the Council that Mr. F.V.Jakob, Manager Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, be elected an Honorary Member of the U.S.I. of India under rule VI, 1, of the Rules of the Institution.

5. The Committee sanctioned the write off of certain arrears of subscriptions due from retired officers and others of the British Service no longer serving in India and regarded as irrecoverable. The Secretary to take action with a view to obtaining payment from certain other officers in respect of arrears regarded as recoverable.

6. The Committee decided that the Secretary should have the building and contents of the U.S.I. re-valued for Insurance purposes.

7. The decision of the Council regarding the amendment of the rules for the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal to members of the R.A.F., R.I.M., and I.A.F., was noted and the Secretary instructed to publish the amendment in the October 1933 number of the Journal.

8. It was proposed by Major-General W.L.O.Twiss,C.B.,C.B.E.,M.C. and seconded by Sir David Petrie and passed unanimously that the President should write a letter of thanks to the Judges for their services in judging the Prize Essay Competition for 1933.

W.L.O.Twiss

Major-General,
President, Executive Committee, U.S.I. of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

A G E N D A

for the
Executive Committee meeting to be held on the 14th March, 1934.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 12th September, 1933.
2. To pass the premia awarded for articles and reviews published in the October 1933 and January 1934 numbers of the Journal.
3. To consider the Auditor's Report and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1933, for presentation to the Council.
4. To consider the Budget Estimates of the Institution for the current year and to decide re investments.
5. To consider the question of lectures to be delivered during 1934.
6. To consider a letter from Captain C.H.Boucher regarding the annual sale of old periodicals.
7. To consider the question of advertisements in the Journal.
8. To consider a letter from Brigadier Croft suggesting that a list of all unsuccessful essays received in connection with the annual Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, be published in the Journal.
9. To read a letter from Messrs Lloyds Bank Ltd., London, regarding the descendants of the late General Sir Charles MacGregor.
10. To read the Secretary's report on the working of the Institution for 1933.
11. To read the correspondence from the U.S. Club, Ltd., and to consider the action to be taken regarding the terms of the proposed Ground lease of the buildings of the Institution.
12. To consider the re-appointment of Captain W.E.Maxwell, as Secretary, for a further period.
13. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, held in the Library, A.H.Q., Delhi, on Wednesday the 14th March, 1934, at 9-30 a.m.

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Present,-

Major-General W.L.O.Twiss, C.B., C.B.E., M.C. (President).
Brigadier the Viscount Gort, V.C., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.V.O., M.C.
" A.F.Hartley, D.S.O.
" E.C.Edward-Collins, C.I.E.
Wing Commander A.R.C.Cooper.
Lt.Colonel F.E.Morgan.
" A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.
Squadron Leader W.F.Dickson, D.S.O., A.F.C.
Captain W.E.Maxwell. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the Meeting held on the 12th September, 1933, were read and confirmed.

2. The awards of premia for articles, reviews, etc, published in the Journals for October, 1933 and January, 1934, were passed.

3. The Auditors Report and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1933, were passed for presentation to the Council.

4. The Budget Estimates of the Institution for 1934 were examined and passed. The Committee decided to invest Rps.8000 (eight thousand) in Government Securities and to purchase 4% loan, 1960-70.

5. The Committee considered the question of the Lectures to be delivered during 1934 and decided to leave the matter to Major D.D. Gracey, M.C. It was suggested that, if possible, lectures on the following subjects be arranged,-

R.A.F. - Civil Aviation.
Finance.
N.W.F.P.
The Reforms.
A Naval lecture.

6. A letter dated 21/12/33, from Capt.C.F.Boucher, re the method of [illegible] Periodicals, was considered. The Committee decided [illegible] measure for one year from January,

periodicals for sale; the names of competitors to be registered and a ballot be held to determine the disposal of each paper.

7. The Committee confirmed the arrangements made by the Secretary in respect of the advertisements for the Journal.

8. A letter dated 22/10/33 from Brigadier W.D.Croft,C.I.E.,D.S.O., was read and considered. It was decided that, in future, the de-plumed of unsuccessful competitors in the annual Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition, be published in the Journal.

9. A letter dated 12/10/33, from Lloyds Bank, regarding the heirs of the late General Sir Charles MacGregor, was read and the contents noted.

10. The President read the Secretary's report on the working of the Institution for 1933 and the Committee noted that the affairs of the Institution in a very satisfactory position.

11. The correspondence with the Secretary, U.S.Club, Ltd,re the ground lease of the building of the U.S.I.,was read. The Committee decided that the proposed new clause 3 of the lease, as proposed by the Secretary, U.S.Club,Ltd,could not be accepted. It was explained that in the first instance the Committees of the U.S.I. of India and the U.S.Club,Ltd.,respectively, agreed to the renewal of the ground lease"on the same terms as before", hence the original clause 3 of the lease, providing for the valuation to be undertaken by Arbitrators in the event of one or both parties being unwilling to renew on its expiration 25 years hence,must be adhered to.

12. The Committee decided that Capt.W.E.Maxwell should continue in the appointment of Secretary for a further period of one year.

13. A statement was read re the tactical schemes,precis of lectures and promotion examination papers notified for sale to members in the pages of the Journal. It was decided that the existing procedure be followed and that no useful purpose would be served by re-introducing promotion examination papers.

14. The Committee approved of the suggestion that, in future, the subject or subjects chosen for the anual Gold Medal Prize Essay competition, be re-published in Indian Army Orders for

15. The question of the amount of premia, to be awarded in connection with the publication of the quarterly Journal, was considered. It was decided that the allotment be left in the hands of the Secretary and that payment be made at the discretion of the Secretary, subject to a maximum expenditure of Rs.900/- (nine hundred), for each issue of the Journal, not being exceeded.

16. The Committee approved of the appointment of Major D.D.Gracey, M.C. to act as Secretary and Editor during the absence of Capt. W.T.Maxwell on three months leave ex India.

17. The Committee passed a vote of thanks to Capt.L.Hollis, I.A.S.C. for his work during the past fourteen months as Assistant Secretary of the Istitution and decided that a suitable piece of plate be presented to him in appreciation of his services.

W.L.D'Souza
Major-General.
President, Executive Committee of the United Service Istitution of India.

Delhi.
14/3/1934.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Report of the Secretary on the year's working, 1933.

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FINANCE.

The financial position has already been considered in connection with the Auditor's report and perhaps I need merely refer to the Capital Account of the Institution for the past ten years, viz-

1st January,	1925.....	Rs. 60,357.
" "	1926.....	" 58,255.
" "	1927.....	" 55,339.
" "	1928.....	" 57,661.
" "	1929.....	" 59,792.
" "	1930.....	" 60,947.
" "	1931.....	" 64,739.
" "	1932.....	" 70,762.
" "	1933.....	" 74,756.
" "	1934.....	" 83,203.

The market value of our investments on 1st January, 1934, was as follows-

	Purchase price.	Face Value.	Market Value.
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures 1912-73 (Rs. 3000 @ 90).	2700	3000 @ 94	2820.
5½ % Bonds 1938-40 loan (Rs. 15000 @ 98)	14700	15000 @ 106 13/16	16022.
4% Loan 1934-37 (Rs. 8000 @ 101/2)	8090	8000 @ 100 9/16	8045.
Post Office 5 yr. Cash Certificates.	7875	10000	9709.
Saving's Bank Account with Lloyds			9336.
			45,932.
			say 46,000

It will be seen that, taking into consideration, the sum of Rs. 8000/- for investment this year, we shall have exceeded half lac mark by some Rs. 4000/-.

It seems to me that the time has come to lay down a policy regarding the "Ideal" figure to which the Institution should aim in the matter of its investments. In this connection we need to take a long view particularly having regard to the future of the Services in India. If it is considered that, having passed the half lac mark, the "Ideal" investment figure has already been reached, then we must consider the question of the extension of benefits to be accorded to members. There are various ways in which this might be done. For instance the Institution might extend the scope of its lectures so as to enable members residing in the larger stations in India (such as Pindi, Peshawar, Quetta, Lahore & Poona) to attend such. By raising the premiums for special articles for publication in the Journal and thus extending the scope of contributors. By the payment of a lump sum annually to the R.U.S.I. so as to enable our members at Home to obtain the privilege of membership of that Institution on special reduced terms, etc., etc.

MEMBERSHIP.

During the year every effort has been made to increase our membership and 300 new members and subscribers were obtained.

The response from the A.I.R. of officers was disappointing - it was felt that these officers would have been glad of the opportunity of joining and thus keeping in touch with matters of professional interest. On the 31st December 1933 our members & subscribers totalled 2240. During the year some 100 members resigned or were struck off for non-payment of dues. the figure for the previous year was 133.

LIBRARY.

As you are aware the Library was thoroughly overhauled during the year, and the long overdue revision of the catalogue was undertaken. A great deal of rubbish had been accumulated and each book was examined and those considered useless were disposed of. The Library was found to contain many old and valuable works and these were withdrawn from circulation, listed and [illegible] available for members

ARREARS.

On the 1st January 1933, Rs. 883/- was outstanding in the books of the Institution. Many of these items had been due for the previous two or three years. A special campaign for recovery was carried out with the result that some Rs. 560/- was recovered and the balance irrecoverable was written off.

Steps have been taken to prevent a repetition and after the issue of three reminders the supply of the Journal is now stopped to prevent loss, unless dues are paid within the current year.

PROPERTY.

During the year an inventory was taken of all property of the Institution and a "Property Book" introduced. All articles found on verification were duly taken on charge and all new items of furniture, etc., are now properly taken on charge in the Property Book of the Institution.

FIRE PRECAUTIONS.

This matter was also attended to and fire precautionary measures introduced and explained to the Staff.

RENOVATIONS.

The rooms of the building have been distempered in buff colour, new curtains provided and various necessary repairs to the furniture, etc., painting, etc., carried out.

RESEARCH.

The usefulness of the Institution in the matter of research, especially to those compiling Regimental histories, is evidenced from the comparatively large number of members, who, from time to time, have asked for our assistance in searching the records of the Institution. This has entailed heavy work for the Staff to whom I am much indebted for their ever willing assistance.

Q. V.E. Thurwell Captain,

Secretary, United Service Institution of India.

14/2/34.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

A G E N D A

for

the Council meeting to be held on Wednesday, the 30th May, 1934.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 23rd June, 1933.

2. To hear the President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1933.

3. To consider the Auditor's report and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1933.

4. To confirm the award of the monetary prizes in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1933.

5. To confirm the selection of the subjects for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1934.

6. To appoint three judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1934.

7. To confirm the award of the MacGregor Memorial medal for 1933.

8. To confirm the amendment made in the rules governing the award of the MacGregor Memorial medal, by the Executive Committee at their meeting held on 1/8/33.

9. To confirm the number and subjects of lectures to be delivered during 1934.

10. To elect a President and six members to form the Executive Committee for the year 1934-35.

11. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Council meeting held in the Committee Room, General Staff Branch, Army Headquarters, at 2.30 P.M. on Wednesday the 30th May, 1934.

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Present-

Lt.-General Sir William H.Bartholomew, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.(Pres.)
Lt.-General Sir Henry E.ap R.Pryce, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Major-General G.H.Addison, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Major-General B.R.Moberly, C.B., D.S.O.
Major-General E.D.Giles, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Brigadier The Viscount Gort, V.C., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.V.O., M.C.
Brigadier A.F.Hartley, D.S.O.
Colonel A.E.Grasett, D.S.O., M.C.
Lt.-Colonel A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.
Major D.D.Gracey, M.C.

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 23/6/33 were read and confirmed.

2. The President read his report on the affairs of the institution during 1933. In connection with the remarks therein dealing with the insurance of the U.S.I. property against fire the Council directed that the matter should be re-examined by the Executive Committee on the following lines:-

(i) A revaluation of the buildings to be made.

(ii) Arrangements to be made to enable the Engineer-in-Chief, Army Headquarters, to furnish an approximate estimate of the cost of reconstructing the building to the existing plans, in the event of it being completely destroyed by fire.

(iii) On completion of (i) and (ii) above, the Insurance Company to be asked whether they will undertake to insure the building for the cost of reconstruction as represented by the estimate at (ii), and in the event of the building becoming a total loss by fire if they pay the full amount. If so, the building to be so insured. If not, the building to be reinsured for the amount of the new revaluation (para (i)).

(iv) The arrangements made to be reported to the Council in due course.

3. The Auditor's Report and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1933, were passed.

4. The award of the monetary prizes in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1933 were confirmed.

5. The selection by the Executive Committee of the subjects for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1934 was confirmed.

6. The following were selected to act as judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1934:-

Lt.-General Sir Henry E.ap R.Pryce, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Mr. H.A.F.Metcalfe, C.S.I., C.I.E., M.V.O., I.C.S.
Colonel A.E.Grasett, D.S.O., M.C.

7. The award of the MacGregor Memorial medal for 1933 was confirmed.

8. The amendment to the rules governing the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal, to include officers and other ranks of the Royal Indian Marine, Royal Air Force and Indian Air Force, was approved.

9. The question of the number and subjects of the lectures ~~to be~~ to be delivered during 1934 was considered. It was decided that, in addition to the lectures already arranged for, the following should be asked to lecture:-

Sir James Grigg on "World Finance".
Mr. Livingstone on "Trade".

In this connection invitations will be issued personally by the President of the Council.

10. The undermentioned were elected to form the Executive Committee for the year 1934-35:-

Major-General B.R.Moberly, C.B., D.S.O. (President).
Major-General E.D.Giles, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Brigadier The Viscount Gort, V.C., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.V.O., M.C.
Colonel A.E.Grasett, D.S.O., M.C.
Lt.-Colonel W.E.R.Williams, O.B.E., I.M.S.
Lt.-Colonel A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.
Major D.D.Gracey, M.C.

W.H. Bartholomew

Lieut.-General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

President's report for the year 1933.

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I am able to announce that 1933 was a very satisfactory year for the Institution. As the Auditor's report shows, the excess of income over expenditure was, roundly, Rs. 8446/- as against Rs. 3994/- for the year 1932. This large profit for 1933 is due mainly to the fact that, as a result of special efforts to increase membership, some 340 new members were admitted during the last quarter of 1932 who were not required to pay a subscription until January 1933.

The Rs. 8000/- worth of Government of India 4 % loan 1934-37, purchased during the year under review, will be redeemed by Government in August 1934 and the proceeds will become available for re-investment.

The investments of the Institution on 31/12/33 stood at Rs. 44,500, roundly, yielding Rs. 1952 in interest.

MEMBERSHIP.

As in 1932, special efforts were made in 1933 to increase membership. 287 new members were obtained, but 106 resigned, died or were struck off for non-payment of subscriptions leaving a net gain of 181. The membership on 31/12/33 was:-

1689 Ordinary Members.
399 Life Members.
1 Honorary Member.
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149 Subscribers (mostly units messes and clubs).

Efforts to further increase membership will be made, but it is feared that we are nearing the maximum number we can expect to obtain.

THE JOURNAL.

The standard of contributions published in the Journal has been maintained. There are welcome signs of a greater interest being taken in the Journal and the quality of the articles submitted for publication is improving.

Advertisement business has been placed in the hands of Advertising Consultants and a considerable increase of revenue from this source is expected.

LIBRARY.

The Library was overhauled, reclassified and a new catalogue printed at a total cost of Rs. 1500/-.

A number of books, chiefly presentations by publishers, were considered useless and have been disposed of. Certain old and valuable books which are irreplaceable were withdrawn from circulation to outstation members. They are kept in separate cases and are available for members visiting or residing in Simla.

A pleasing feature of the Library is the increasing popularity of the facilities offered to members at outstations to obtain books on loan. These are sent post free, the borrower paying the return postage.

Books on professional subjects are in increasing demand, especially by junior officers who are studying for promotion examinations.

GROUND LEASE.

The ground on which the Institution buildings stand is owned by the United Service Club. The 25 years' lease, granted in 1908, expired during the year and has been renewed for a further period of 25 years. The ground rent agreed upon in the original lease was Rs. 300/- a year. Efforts were made to renew the lease at a lower rental, but the Managing Committee of the United Service Club was unable to agree to any reduction.

INSURANCE OF PROPERTY.

The Institution property is insured against fire for Rs.47,000/- made up as follows:-

Building	Rs. 25,000.
Furniture	" 18,850.
Pictures	" 3,150.
	Rs. 47,000.

The annual premium is Rs. 147/- roundly.

Having regard to the depreciation in the value of building, property, and the fact that any loss settlement would be paid, not on the insured value, but on the market value of our property, the Institution property has been revalued. This revaluation reveals that the present day value is, roundly, Rs. 30,000/-. The Institution is, therefore, over insured and the Executive Committee has decided that when the yearly policy is renewed it shall be for a sum of Rs. 30,000/-. The reduction in premium will be about Rs. 60/- a year.

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Lieut-General,

President of the Council of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

Statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December 1933.

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Balance Sheet as at

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.		
CAPITAL as at 1st January, 1933	74,756 15 2	
Add—Excess of Income over expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1933 ..	8,446 10 7	
		83,203 9 9
LIABILITIES.		
Electricity	29 1 0	
Library, Catalogues, Printing	1,091 8 0	
Establishment	400 0 0	
Audit Fee	237 8 0	
		1,758 1 0
Members and Subscribers at credit	..	3,990 1 0
Carried over		88,951 11 9

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December*, 1933.

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
PROPERTY AND ASSETS.			
BUILDING.			
As at 1st January, 1933		19,536 3 6	
Less—Depreciation @ 1½%		293 0 0	19,243 3 6
LIBRARY BOOKS.			
As at 1st January, 1933		10,752 6 8	
Add—Additions in the year		1,266 9 1	
		12,018 15 9	
Less—Depreciation at—			
5% on opening balance ..	538 0 0		
50% on additions	633 0 0	1,171 0 0	10,847 15 9
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS.			
As at 1st January, 1933		2,402 3 0	
Add—Additions in the year		91 13 0	
		2,494 0 0	
Less—Depreciation @ 6%		150 0 0	2,344 0 0
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES.			
As at 1st January, 1933		3,027 5 0	
Less—Depreciation @ 3%		91 0 0	2,936 5 0
MEDALS AND TROPHIES.			
As at 1st January, 1933		3,115 7 3	
Less—Depreciation on Trophies of Rs. 1,245-15-3 @ 1%		12 7 0	3,103 0 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS.			
Members and Subscribers at debit		408 6 0	
Advertisement Charges recoverable ..		30 0 0	438 6 0
Carried over			38,912 14 6

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	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Brought forward ..		88,951 11 9
Total		88,951 11 9

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December*, 1933.

				Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
Brought forward ..					38,912 14 6	
INVESTMENTS.						
(Lodged with Lloyds Bank, Simla, for safe custody) :						
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures Face Value of Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90				2,700 0 0		
5½% bonds 1938-40 Face Value Rs. 15,000 at Rs. 98				14,700 0 0		
4% loan 1934-37—Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 101-2-0				8,090 0 0		
Post Office 5-year Cash Certificates :						
		Rs.	a.	p.		
(*a*) Face Value ..		6,000	0	0		
Cost		4,800	0	0		
Interest Accrued ..		1,200	0	0	6,000 0 0	
(*b*) Face Value ..		2,500	0	0		
Cost		1,875	0	0		
Interest Accrued ..		258	12	0	2,133 12 0	
(*c*) Face Value		1,350	0	0		
Cost		1,200	0	0		
Interest Accrued ..		375	0	0	1,575 0 0	
					35,198 12 0	
DEPOSIT with Secretary, Army Headquarters Library, for Library Books ..					124 5 11	
EXPENSES PREPAID					74 0 0	
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES —						
At Lloyds Bank, London				806 13 4		
At Lloyds Bank, Simla, in Current Account ..				3,407 3 0		
At Lloyds Bank, Simla, in S. B. Account ..				9,336 3 0		
					13,550 3 4	
LIBRARY CATALOGUES					1,091 8 0	
Total					88,951 11 9	

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Dated the 7th February, 1934.

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Revenue Account for the year ended

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
To—		
Establishment	7,996 0 0	
Contingencies	516 5 3	
Printing and Stationery	305 9 6	
Insurance, Rates and Taxes	653 2 0	
Electricity	204 9 0	
Postage and Telegrams	959 12 0	
Exchange and Bank Charges	103 8 0	
Repairs to Building	3 1 0	
Repairs to Furniture	0 11 0	
Audit Fee	250 0 0	
		10,992 9 9
Prize Competitions	150 0 0	
Lectures	55 1 0	
		205 1 0
U. S. I. Journal Expenses—		
Printing	6,643 7 4	
Premia	2,427 0 0	
Postage and Freight	1,708 11 3	
		10,779 2 7
Arrears of Subscriptions written off ..	..	316 8 0
Depreciation—		
Buildings	293 0 0	
Library Books	1,171 0 0	
Furniture and Fittings	150 0 0	
Pictures and Sculptures	91 0 0	
Medals and Trophies	12 7 0	
		1,717 7 0
Surplus—		
Excess of Income over Expenditure ..	..	8,446 10 7
Total ..		32,457 6 11

Furniture " 18,850.

pictures " 3,150.

Rs. 47,000.

The annual premium is Rs. 147/- roundly.

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December*, 1933.

			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—				
Government Grant			..	9,000 0 0
Members and Subscriptions ..			..	18,728 0 0
Arrears previously written off recovered			..	5 0 0
Life Subscriptions			..	120 0 0
Tactical Schemes			827 14 0	
Army List pages			12 0 0	
				839 14 0
Sale of Journals			547 10 0	
Advertisements in Journal		1,028 12 0		
Less—Commission paid		25 0 0	1,003 12 0	
				1,551 6 0
Interest on Investments ..			..	1,952 11 0
Sale of Periodicals, old books, etc. ..			..	199 12 0
Sale of Catalogues			..	19 0 0
Credit balances written back ..			..	27 11 0
Miscellaneous ..			..	14 0 11
Total ..				32,457 6 11

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Cash Account for the year

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
To—		
Balances on 1st January, 1933, with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla :		
In Current Account	91 9 2	
In Savings Bank Account	813 5 0	
		904 14 2
Interest on Investments	..	238 0 0
Interest on Savings Bank Account	..	26 15 0
Total		1,169 13 2

Balance Sheet as at

Balance of Fund—

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
As at 1st January, 1933	4,562 14 2	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure in the year	129 15 0	
		4,692 13 2
Total		4,692 13 2

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

MEMORIAL FUND.

ended 31*st December*, 1933.

			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—				
Gratuity	..	..		100 0 0
Medals	..	..		30 0 0
Bank Charges	..	..		5 0 0
Closing Balances—				
Income-Tax Recoverable	..	..	5 15 0	
Balances at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—				
In Current Account	..	..	188 10 2	
In Savings Bank Account	..	..	840 4 0	
				1,034 13 2
		Total	.. ..	1,169 13 2

31*st December*, 1933.

Investments—				
(Lodged with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., for safe custody).				
3½% Govt. Promissory Notes at cost. Face Value Rs. 6,300 @ Rs. 58		..		3,658 0 0
Income-Tax Recoverable	..	..		5 15 0
Balances at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—				
In Current Account	..	..	188 10 2	
In Savings Bank Account	..	..	840 4 0	
				1,028 14 2
		Total	.. ..	4,692 13 2

The Balance Sheet and Cash Account of the MacGregor Memorial Fund, as above set forth, have been compiled from the books, and in our opinion correctly exhibit the affairs of the Fund.

SIMLA
7th February, 1934.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants, Auditors.

Having regard to the depreciation in the value of building, property, and the fact that any loss settlement would be paid, not on the insured value, but on the market value of our property, the Institution property has been revalued. This revaluation reveals that the present day value is, roundly, Rs. 30,000/-. The Institution is, therefore, over insured and the Executive Committee has decided that when the yearly policy is renewed it shall be for a sum of Rs. 30,000/-. The reduction in premium will be about Rs. 60/- a year.

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Lieut.-General,

President of the Council of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

A G E N D A

for

the Executive Committee meeting to be held on Wednesday, the 30th May, 1934.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 14/3/34.

2. To elect 5 additional members to complete the number of members of the Executive Committee for the year 1934-35.

3. To pass the premia awarded for articles, etc., published in the April, 1934, number of the Journal.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room, Army Headquarters, on Wednesday, the 30th May, 1934.

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Present-

Major-General B.R.Moberly, C.B., D.S.O. (President).
Major-General E.D.Giles, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Brigadier The Viscount Gort, V.C., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.V.O., M.C.
Colonel A.E.Grasett, D.S.O., M.C.
Lt-Colonel A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.
Major D.D.Gracey, M.C.

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 14/3/34 were read and confirmed.

2. The following were elected as additional members of the Executive Committee for 1934-35:-

Ram Chandra, Esq., C.I.E., M.B.E., I.C.S.
Colonel F.A.Finnis, C.B., O.B.E.
Lt-Colonel S.R.Wason, M.C., R.A.
Wing Commander D.G.Donald, D.F.C., A.F.C., R.A.F.
Major W.B.Whishaw, M.C., R.E.

3. The premia awarded for articles, etc., published in the Journal for April, 1934, were passed.

Major-General,
President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Agenda for the

Executive Committee meeting to be held on Mohday, the 24th September, 1934.

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1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 30/5/34.
2. To pass the premia awarded for articles, etc., published in the July, 1934, number of the Journal.
3. To confirm the selection of the subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1935.
4. To consider:-

   (i) H.E. the C-in-C's communication regarding the award of the MacGregor Memorial medal for 1934;

   (ii) the question of write off of certain amounts which are irrecoverable from members;

   (iii) a letter from Mr. G.M.Young, C.I.E., I.C.S., the late Army Secretary, offering a donation of £ 20-0-0 and to decide how the money shall be spent;

   (iv) the question of exempting Indian Military cadets from paying the Entrance fee on joining the Institution (see minute 8 of the Executive Committee meeting held on 23/5/33.);

   (v) the advisability of amending the rules of the Institution so as to include officers of the Indian States Forces in the category of those who are eligible for membership of the Institution;

   (vi) a request from the Honorary Secretary, Red Cross Committee, that the old optical lantern of the U.S.I. be presented to the Red Cross;

   (vii) a letter from the Secretary, R.U.S.I., London, [illegible]l, containing suggestions for granting certain facilities to members of the R.U.S.I. and U.S.I.I.

5. To review the action, taken in pursuance of the directions of the Council vide minute 2 of their meeting held on 30/5/34, in respect of the revaluation of the building and property of the Institution and their subsequent reinsurance at a reduced annual premium.
6. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room, Army Headquarters, on Monday the 24th September, 1934, at 10.0 a.m.

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PRESENT.-

Major-General B.R.Moberly, C.B., D.S.O. (President).
Major-General E.D.Giles, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Colonel F.A.Finnis, C.B., O.B.E.
Colonel A.E.Grasett, D.S.O., M.C.
Lt.Colonel W.E.R.Williams, O.B.E.
Wing Commander D.G.Donald, D.F.C., A.F.C.
Lt.Colonel A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.
Major W.B.Whishaw, M.C.
Major D.D.Gracey, M.C.
Captain W.E.Maxwell (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 30th May 1934 were read and confirmed.

2. The premia awarded for articles, etc. published in July, 1934, number of the Journal were passed.

3. The selection of the subject, noted below, for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1935 was confirmed, subject to approval of the Council -

' "It has been widely asserted that a decision in modern western warfare will be gained in the air". Discuss this assertion illustrating your arguments with any modification you think necessary in the organisation of H. M's Forces for the defence of the British Empire'.

4. (i) The communication from the Chief of the General Staff, containing the views of H. E. the Commander-in-Chief in regard to the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1934, was read. In view of the fact that no officer or soldier had, this year, performed a reconnaissance of sufficient value to merit the award of the medal, it was decided to recommend to the Council

that the MacGregor Memorial Medal should not be awarded for 193-.

(ii) The Committee sanctioned the write off of the sum of Rs.110/-, representing irrecoverable subscriptions due from nine members who have either resigned their membership or retired from the Service. In the case of two other officers, the Committee directed the Secretary to address their C.Os. with a view to the recovery of the subscriptions due.

(iii) A letter from Mr. G.M.Young, C.I.E., I.C.S., late Army Secretary, offering a donation of £ 20-0-0 was read. It was decided that the letter should be circulated to the Council asking for their suggestions as to the object on which the donation should be expended.

(iv) With reference to minute 8 of the proceedings of the Executive Committee meeting held on the 23rd May 1933, the question of exempting Military Cadets from paying the Entrance Fee to join the Institution was considered. Having regard to the very low annual subscription, the Committee did not feel justified in recommending the exemption suggested.

(v) The question of admitting officers of the Indian States Forces to membership of the Institution was considered. It was decided to recommend to the Council that officers of these Forces should be eligible for membership of the Institution and that the rules of the Institution be amended accordingly.

(vi) The Committee acceded to the request of the Honorary Secretary, Red Cross Society, that the Institution's old optical lantern should be presented to the Society.

(vii) A letter dated the 10th July, 1934, from the Secretary, R.U.S.I., London, containing suggestions for granting reciprocal facilities to members of the R.U.S.I. and the U.S.I. of India, and the Secretary's report thereon, were considered. It was agreed that acceptance of the suggestions would result in a considerable loss of revenue to the U.S.I. of India, with no appreciable benefit to its members. It was decided therefore

that the Secretary R.U.S.I. be informed accordingly.

5. The Committee reviewed and approved the action taken in connection with the revaluation and reinsurance of the U.S.I. building and property. The Committee directed that the value of the building, furniture, fittings and library books, as now exhibited in the Balance Sheet, be amended to agree with the present day market value as estimated by the Valuer. The Committee further directed that the Auditors be instructed that, in future, no deduction should be made on account of depreciation in the value of pictures, sculptures, medals and trophies.

6. The Committee sanctioned the expenditure of a sum of Rs. 550/- on the repair and preservation of the fabric of the building and the purchase of new furniture for the office.

Major-General,
President, Executive Committee, U.S.I. of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee meeting to be held on the 24th April, 1935.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 24/9/34.

2. To pass the award of premia for October 1934 and January 1935.

3. To consider the Auditor's report and Statement of Accounts for the year 1934.

4. To consider the Budget estimates for 1935.

5. To consider a letter from Mr. G.M.Young, donating a sum of £ 20/- for the purchase of a writing table and chair as a memento of his connexion with the Institution.

6. To consider a letter from the Secretary, R.U.S.I., London, on the subject of reciprocal facilities for members of both Institutions.

7. To consider the question of lectures to be arranged for 1935.

8. To consider the question of appointing a Secretary and Editor vice Captain W.E.Maxwell, from the 1st August 1935.

9. To hear the Secretary's report for the year 1934.

10. To transact any other business that may be brought before the Committee.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held in the General Staff Committee Room, Army Headquarters, Simla, on Wednesday the 24th April, 1935.

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Present:-

Brigadier The Viscount Gort, V.C., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.V.O., M.C., (President).

Ram Chandra, Esq., C.I.E., M.B.E., I.C.S.

Lt.-Colonel W.E.R.Williams, O.B.E., M.B.

Lt.-Colonel A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.

Major W.B.Whishaw, M.C.

Captain W.E.Maxwell (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 24th September, 1934, were read and confirmed.

2. The premia awarded for articles, etc., published in the October 1934 and January 1935 numbers of the Journal were passed.

3. The Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1934, and the Auditor's report thereon were passed for presentation to the Council. The Committee, however, directed that-

   (a) a depreciation of 30% be allowed on the purchase price of the curtains purchased for the Institution during 1934; subsequent depreciation to be based at the usual rate, i.e., 6% per annum. (The necessary adjustment to be made by the Auditors in the Statement of Accounts for 1935.);

   (b) the book value of pictures, sculptures and trophies, which, on 31st December, 1934, was Rs. 4169-13-3, be depreciated at the old rate of 1%. The book value of medals should not be depreciated, but continue to be shown at the present figure of Rs. 1872-. (Auditors to take

4. The Secretary read his report on the working of the Institution during 1934 which the Committee noted.

5. The Budget Estimates of the Institution for 1935 were examined and passed.

6. The letter from Mr. G.M.Young, donating a sum of £ 20-0-0 for the purchase of a writing table and chair as a memento of his connexion with the Institution, was read. The Committee directed that a letter of thanks be issued to Mr. Young and that his generous donation be acknowledged publically in the pages of the Journal. The Committee further directed that Messrs Mohd. Hayat Brothers, Gujrat, be asked to submit designs for a table.

7. The letter from the Secretary, R.U.S.I., London, on the subject of reciprocal facilities for members of that Institution and of the U.S.I. of India, was considered. It was decided that no further action was to be taken in the matter and that a letter of thanks be sent to the Secretary, R.U.S.I., London.

8. The question of arranging for lectures to be delivered during July and August 1935 was considered and it was decided that, in the first instance, the following be asked to lecture:-

1. Air Marshal Sir Ludlow-Hewitt on an 'Air' subject.
2. Sir John Marshall on "Indian Archaeology".
3. Mr. Inglis on "The American Press and its outlook on English Affairs".
4. Major-General Brooke on "Horse Management"

Further details were left to the Secretary to arrange.

9. The question of appointing a Secretary and Editor, vice Captain W.E.Maxwell who is desirous of vacating the appointment from 1/8/35, was considered. It was decided that the appointment of Major J.L.Cotton

G.S. Branch, be examined.

10. In recognition of the active support received by the Institution from H.E. Field Marshal Sir Philip Chetwode during his tenure of office as Commander-in-Chief in India, it was resolved that Sir Philip, after his retirement from India, be admitted a Life Member of the Institution without payment.

11. The scale of pay for Mr. S.S.Verma, the Institution Clerk, was considered. It was decided that, with effect from 1st April 1935, he should receive annual increments at the rate of Rs. 5/- per mensem until he attains a maximum rate of pay of Rs. 150/- per mensem.

12. The Committee sanctioned the write-off of a sum of Rs. 370/- representing the irrecoverable amounts due on account of subscriptions from certain members.

Brigadier,
President, Executive Committee of the U.S.I. of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Secretary's report for the calendar year 1934.

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The Auditor's report and Statement of Accounts for the year is in the hands of members of the Committee. These show a satisfactory years working. In 1933 the excess of income over expenditure was Rs. 8446/-; this year it is Rs. 6902/- In point of fact the decrease is not a real one. On 1st January 1934 we had liabilities, in the form of unpaid bills, of Rs. 1758/-; on 1st January 1935 these liabilities were less than Rs. 300/-. During 1934, moreover, expenditure increased by Rs. 3143/-, which is attributable to the increased cost of the Journal under the heads- printing, premia and postage. This is the outcome of the decision in 1934 to endeavour to improve the Journal by making higher payments to contributors, increasing the range of subjects published and illustrating them more copiously by means of diagrams and maps.

Letters of commendation from members indicate that the increased cost of production has been justified.

MEMBERSHIP.

Owing to a large number of members having joined the Institution during 1932 and 1933 as a result of our special campaign to increase membership, the number of new members obtained during 1934 was comparatively small, i.e., 1 Life and 49 Ordinary Members only were enrolled, whereas 7 Life and 144 Ordinary Members, having died, resigned or struck off for non-payment of subscriptions, were removed from the membership roll. On 31-12-34 the membership was:-

Life Members.....	393
Ordinary Members.....	1594
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	1988.

The number of other subscribers to the Journal increased from 149 to 158.

The membership figures for the years 1931, 1932 and 1933 were, 1802, 2060 and 2089 respectively.

The net decrease of 100 members on 1933 figures is also partly attributable to the uncertainty as regards their future position which faced a considerable number of I.A. officers during 1934.

LECTURES.

The following lectures were delivered at Simla during 1934:-

(i) The Indian Military Academy,	by Brigadier L.P. Collins, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E.
(ii) Indian Constitutional Reform,	by W.H.Lewis, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.
(iii) Phases of Economic Nationalism,	by A.M.Livingstone, Esq.

All were well attended.

FINANCIAL FORECAST FOR 1935.

A financial forecast for 1935 is placed on the table.

The estimated income is Rs. 32,000/- as against Rs. 34,000/- in 1934. The decrease is due mainly to fewer members, a lower rate of interest on new investments and a decrease in advertisements.

The estimated expenditure is approximately the same as in 1934- Rs. 27,000/-, leaving an estimated surplus of Rs. 5,000/- available for investment.

The Institution's investments now stand at Rs. 44,000/- as compared with Rs. 35,200/- in 1933, 34,660/- in 1932 and Rs. 26,455/- in 1931.

THE JOURNAL.

The average cost of production per copy of the Journal, including postage and premia to contributors, during 1934 was Rs. 1/8/6. The average of the last three years, i.e., 1932, 1933 and 1934 was Rs. 1/6/4 per copy. The number of the Journal printed in 1934 was 9180 and that for the last three years 25930.

LIBRARY.

During the year new books to the value of Rs. 728/- were purchased, mainly through the India Stores Department, London, thereby securing booksellers discount. We have now a well-stocked library which is used by members in all parts of India.

W Macdonald
Captain,
Secretary, United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Council meeting to be held on Thursday the 4th July, 1935.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 30th May 1934.
2. To hear the President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1934.
3. To consider;-
   (i) The Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1934 and the Auditor's report thereon.
   (ii) The recommendation of the Executive Committee that eligibility for membership of the Institution be extended to officers of the Indian States Forces.
   (iii) The question of the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1934.
4. To confirm:-
   (i) The award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1934.
   (ii) The selection of the subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1935.
   (iii) The arrangement of the Executive Committee in respect of lectures to be delivered during the year.
5. To appoint three judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1935.
6. To elect a President and six members to form the Executive Committee for the year 1935-36.
7. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of a Council Meeting held in the Committee Room, General Staff Branch, Army Headquarters, at 10.0 a.m. on Thursday the 4th July 1935.

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Present-

Lt.-General Sir Walter S.Leslie, K.C.B., K.B.E., C.M.G., D.S.O. (Presiding).

Lt.-General Sir Henry E.ap Rhys Pryce, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

G.R.F.Tottenham, Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S.

Major-General W.L.O.Twiss, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.

Major-General E.deBurgh, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E.

Major-General C.P.D.Strettell, C.B.

Brigadier The Viscount Gort, V.C., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.V.O., M.C.

Brigadier F.L.Nicholson, C.B., D.S.O., M.C.

Brigadier A.F.Hartley, D.S.O.

Sir Horace Williamson, Kt., C.I.E., M.B.E.

Lt.-Colonel A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.

Major J.L.Carter, M.C. (Attending).

Captain W.E.Maxwell, C.I.E. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 30th May, 1934, were read and confirmed.

2. The President read his report on the affairs of the Institution during 1934, which was noted. Lt.-General Sir Walter Leslie moved that a vote of thanks be passed to Captain W.E. Maxwell, C.I.E., for his work as Secretary of the Institution in general and of editing the Journal in particular.

3. The Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1934, and the Auditor's report thereon were passed.

4. The suggestion of the Executive Committee that eligibility for membership of the Institution be extended to officers of the Indian States Forces, was concurred in. The Council also directed that all officers commanding formations of the Indian States Forces be circularised, requesting them to bring the advantages of joining the Institution to the notice of their officers.

5. It was noted that there was no candidate eligible for the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1934.

6. The award of the judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1934 was confirmed.

7. The subject selected by the Executive Committee for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1935 was approved.

8. The Executive Committee's arrangements in connection with the series of lectures to be delivered during 1935 were noted and approved.

9. It was agreed that the undermentioned officers should be invited to act as judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1935-

Air Marshal Sir Edgar R.Ludlow-Hewitt, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., M.C.

G.R.F.Tottenham, Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S.

Major-General H.F.Salt, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

10. The following were elected to form the Executive Committee for the year 1935-36-

Major-General E.deBurgh, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E. (President)
Major-General C.B.D.Stretteil, C.B.
Sir David Petrie, Kt., C.I.E., C.V.O., C.B.E., M.A.
Brigadier The Viscount Gort, V.C., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.V.O., M.C.
Brigadier F.L.Nicholson, C.B., D.S.O., M.C.
Sir Horace Williamson, Kt., C.I.E., M.B.E.
Lt-Colonel A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.

11. The Council considered the recommendation of H.E. the Commander-in-Chief in respect of the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1935 and sanctioned the award of a silver medal for officers to each of the undermentioned officers.-

Lieutenant K.A.P.Ferguson, R.A.

Lieutenant T.M.T.Hostock, R.E.

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Lieut.-General,
for President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

President's report for the year 1934.

I am glad to be able to announce another satisfactory year for the Institution. After spending an extra Rs. 3276/- on improving the Journal, we still have a profit of Rs. 6902/- on the year's working which compares very favourably with 1933.

MEMBERSHIP. Owing to a large number of members having joined the Institution during 1932 and 1933 as a result of our special campaign to increase membership, the number of new members obtained during 1934 was comparatively small, i.e., 1 Life and 49 Ordinary Members only were enrolled, whereas 7 Life and 144 Ordinary Members, having died, resigned or struck off for non-payment of subscriptions, were removed from the membership roll. On 31-12-34 the membership was:-

Life Members.....	393
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	1988.

The number of other subscribers to the Journal increased from 149 to 158.

The membership figures for the years 1931, 1932 and 1933 were, 1802, 2060 and 2089 respectively.

The net decrease of 100 members on 1933 figures is also partly attributable to the uncertainty as regards their future position which faced a considerable number of I.A. officers during 1934.

Efforts are being made to obtain more members, especially junior officers; and a number of senior commanders have promised to assist by explaining the advantages of membership to the units they visit.

THE JOURNAL. With the object of encouraging more members to contribute articles to the Journal, thereby obtaining more and better articles for publication, the Executive Committee decided to devote an additional amount of approximately Rs. [illegible] a year for the payment of articles accepted.

That this additional expenditure and the consequent increase in printing charges were justified, is proved by the letters of appreciation which have been received during the year. The circulation is now about 2200 copies each quarter.

FINANCE. The financial position is sound. The following figures, which represent the balance on capital account for each of the past eight years, are interesting and show the progress made.

January.	Rs.
1928	57,661.
1929	59,792.
1930	60,947.
1931	64,739.
1932	70,762.
1933	74,756.
1934	83,203.
1935	90,105.

During the year a sum of Rs. 8500 was invested in the Government of India securities and our investments on 31st December, 1934, were worth Rs. 44047/- as against Rs. 35198/- at the close of 1933. In addition, a sum of Rs. 5551/- was at 2½% interest in the Saving's Bank Account.

LECTURES. During the year the following lectures were delivered at Simla and they were well attended.-

1. "The Indian Military Academy", by Brigadier L.P.Collins, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E.
2. "Indian Constitutional Reform", by W.H.Lewis, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.
3 "Phases of Economic Nationalism", by A.M.Livingstone, Esq.

LIBRARY. The Library has been over-hauled and recatalogued, and the demand for books, particularly from out-stations, has increased.

Captain Maxwell, who is resigning his post as Secretary on the 1st August, wishes me to bring to your notice the work of the Assistant Secretary, Major Bolton. Captain Maxwell considers that the success of the Institution in recent years is entirely due to the hard, solid work done by Major Bolton and would like this small tribute to be entered in our records.

Walter Lesbie

Lieut.-General,
President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1934.

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Balance Sheet as at

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.		
CAPITAL as at 31st January, 1934	83,203 9 9	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1934 ..	6,902 2 4	
		90,105 12 1
LIABILITIES.		
Electricity	34 3 0	
Audit Fees	237 8 0	
		271 11 0
Members and Subscribers at credit	..	724 12 0
Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—		
Credit Balances on date as per pass book :— ..	365 14 9	
Less—Cheques not Cashed	847 8 0	
		481 9 3

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Carried over	..	..	91,583 12 4

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December*, 1934.

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
PROPERTY AND ASSETS.			
BUILDING.			
As at 1st January, 1934	19,243 3 6		
Less—Depreciation at 1½%	289 0 0		
		18,954 3 6	
LIBRARY BOOKS.			
As at 1st January, 1934	10,847 15 9		
Add—Additions in the year	728 14 7		
	11,576 14 4		
Less—Depreciation at— Rs. a. p.			
5% on Opening Balance .. 542 0 0			
50% on Additions .. 364 0 0	906 0 0		
		10,670 14 4	
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS.			
As at 1st January, 1934	2,344 0 0		
Add—Additions in the year	253 7 9		
	2,597 7 9		
Less—Depreciation at 6%	156 0 0		
		2,441 7 9	
Magic Lantern, at cost	820 2 4		
Less—Depreciation at 7½%	62 0 0		
		758 2 4	
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES.			
As at 1st January, 1934		2,936 5 0	
MEDALS AND TROPHIES.			
As at 1st January, 1934	3,103 0 3		
Add—Additions in the year	2 8 0		
		3,105 8 3	
SUNDRY DEBTORS.			
Members and subscribers at debit	738 4 0		
Advertisement dues recoverable	109 6 0		
		847 10 0	
Carried over ..		39,714 3 2	

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	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Brought forward		91,583 12 4
Total		91,583 12 4

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December*, 1934.

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Brought forward ..			39,714 3 2
INVESTMENTS.			
(Lodged at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody) :			
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures—Face Value Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90		2,700 0 0	
5½% Bonds 1938—40—Face Value Rs. 15,000 at Rs. 98		14,700 0 0	
4% Bonds 1960—70—Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 103		8,240 0 0	
3½% Bonds 1947—50—Face Value Rs. 8,400 at Rs. 98-8-0		8,274 0 0	
Post Office 5 years Cash Certificates :—	Rs. a. p.		
(*a*) Face Value	.. 7,350 0 0		
Cost	.. 4,800 0 0		
Interest accrued	.. 1,425 0 0	6,225 0 0	
(*b*) Face Value	.. 2,500 0 0		
Cost	.. 1,875 0 0		
Interest accrued	.. 383 12 0	2,258 12 0	
(*c*) Face Value	.. 1,950 0 0		
Cost	.. 1,200 0 0		
Interest accrued	.. 450 0 0	1,650 0 0	
			44,047 12 0
DEPOSIT with Secretary, Army Headquarters for Library Books		..	139 10 4
EXPENSES PREPAID		..	482 3 0
LIBRARY CATALOGUES.			
As per last Balance Sheet		1,091 8 0	
Less—Sold in the year		257 8 0	
			834 0 0
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES.			
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd., London		416 15 1	
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla, in Savings Bank Account		5,551 5 0	
In hand with Secretary		273 14 0	
In hand with Assistant Secretary		123 13 9	
			6,365 15 10
Total ..		..	91,583 12 4

Annexure to our report of date.

SIMLA,
2*nd March* 1935.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants, Auditors.

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Revenue Account for the year ended

To—	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Establishment	7,889 8 0	
Contingencies	488 8 9	
Printing and Stationery	252 9 0	
Insurance, Rates and Taxes	605 14 0	
Electricity	195 3 0	
Postage and Telegrams	789 5 9	
Exchange and Bank Charges	121 6 2	
Repairs to Buildings	113 6 0	
Repairs to Furniture	26 1 0	
Audit Fee	237 8 0	
		10,719 5 8
Prize Competition	166 10 8	
Lectures and Magic Lantern Expenses ..	156 3 0	
		322 13 8
U. S. I. Journal Expenses—		
Printing	8,474 0 0	
Premia	3,343 0 0	
Postage and Freight	2,228 8 6	
		14,045 8 6
Arrears of Subscriptions written off ..	..	206 7 0
Purchase of Periodicals	..	446 13 4
Depreciation—		
Buildings	289 0 0	
Library Books	906 0 0	
Furniture and Fittings	156 0 0	
Magic Lantern	62 0 0	
		1,413 0 0
Surplus—		
Excess of Income over Expenditure ..	..	6,902 2 4
Total	..	34,056 2 6

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December*, 1934.

				Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
By—									
Government Grant	..	..		..			9,000	0	0
Members and Subscriptions	..	..		..			18,469	8	0
Entrance Fees	..	..		478	0	0			
Life Subscriptions	..	..		360	0	0			
							838	0	0
Tactical Schemes	..	..		474	0	2			
Army Lists	..	..		191	0	0			
							665	0	2
Sale of Journals	..	..		540	12	0			
		Rs.	a. p.						
Advertisement in Journal		1,812	3 0						
Less– Commission paid	..	25	0 0	1,787	3	0			
							2,327	15	0
Interest on Investments		..	..	..			2,071	11	2
Sale of Periodicals, etc.		..	..	..			249	8	0
Donation	..	..	..	..			266	10	8
Dividend from Alliance Bank of Simla, Ltd. (in Liquidation)		..	..	..			155	3	6
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	..			12	10	0
Total	..	..		..			34,056	2	6

SIMLA :

2*nd March*, 1935.

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Cash Account for the year

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
To—		
Balances on 1st January, 1934, with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla :		
In Current Account	188 10 2	
In Savings Bank Account	840 4 0	
Income-tax Recoverable	5 15 0	
		1,034 13 2
Interest on Investments	220 8 0	
Interest on Savings Bank Account.. ..	21 2 0	
	241 10 0	
Less—Interest on Securities paid in excess in 1933 refunded	14 10 0	
		227 0 0
Sixth Dividend from Alliance Bank of Simla, Ltd. (in Liquidation)		24 8 0
Total		1,286 5 2

Balance Sheet as at

Balance of Fund—		
As at 1st January, 1934	4,692 13 2	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure in the year	249 0 0	
		4,941 13 2
Total		4,941 13 2

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

MEMORIAL FUND.

ended 31st December, 1934.

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—			
Bank Charges			2 8 0
Closing Balances with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—			
In Current Account		422 7 2	
In Savings Bank Account		861 6 0	
			1,283 13 2
Total			1,286 5 2
31*st December*, 1934.			
Investments—			
(Lodged with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., for safe custody)			
3½% Government Promissory Notes at cost, Face Value Rs. 6,300 at Rs. 58 ..			3,658 0 0
Balances at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—			
In Current Account		422 7 2	
In Savings Bank Account		861 6 0	
			1,283 13 2
Total			4,941 13 2

The Balance Sheet and Cash Account of the MacGregor Memorial Fund, as above set forth, have been compiled from the books, and in our opinion correctly exhibits the affairs of the Fund.

SIMLA :

2nd March, 1935.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,

Registered Accountants. Auditors.

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Walter Lesle' Lieut.-General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee meeting to be held on the 4th July, 1935.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 24th April, 1935.
2. To chose 5 additional members to serve on the Executive Committee for the year 1935-36.
3. To pass the premia awarded for articles, etc., published in the Journal for April 1935.
4. To consider the question of investment of Rs. 5000/-.
5. To consider the appointment of Major J.L.Carter,M.C., as Secretary and Editor.
6. To read a letter from H.E. the Commander-in-Chief, thanking the Committee for admitting him as a Life Member without payment of the Life Subscription.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

The minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held in the Committee Room, General Staff Branch, Army Headquarters, at 11.0 a.m. on Thursday the 4th July 1935.

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PRESENT-

Major-General E.deBurgh, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E. (President)
Major-General C.E.D.Strettell, C.B.
Brigadier The Viscount Gort, V.C., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.V.O., M.C.
Brigadier F.L.Nicholson, C.B., D.S.O., M.C.
Sir Horace Williamson, Kt., C.I.E., M.B.E.
Lt-Colonel A.F.R.Lumby, C.I.E., O.B.E.
Major J.L.Carter, M.C. (Attending).
Captain W.E.Maxwell, C.I.E. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 24th April, 1935, were read and confirmed.
2. The following were elected as additional members of the Executive Committee for the year 1935-36-
   A.C.Badenoch, Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S.
   Brigadier F.Dickins.
   Colonel G.C.Gowlland.
   Wing Commander D.G.Dould, D.F.C., A.F.C.
   Captain W.E.Maxwell, C.I.E.
3. The prems awarded for articles, etc., published in the Journal for April 1935 was passed.
4. The question of a further investment in Government of India securities was considered and it was decided to purchase 4% Loan (1960-70) to the face value of Rs. 5000/-.
5. Major J.L.Carter, M.C. was appointed as Secretary and Editor, vice Captain W.E.Maxwell, C.I.E., with effect from 1st August 1935.

6. The letter from H.E. Field Marshal Sir Philip Chetwode, expressing thanks for his admission, after leaving India, as a Life Member of the Institution, without payment of the Life Subscription, was read.

Major-General,
President, Executive Committee, United Service Institution of India.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee meeting to be held on Tuesday the 2nd June 1936.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 4/7/35.

2. To pass the award of premia for July and October 1935 and for January and April 1936.

3. To consider the Auditor's report and Statement of Accounts for the year 1935.

4. To consider the Budget Estimates for 1936.

5. To consider a letter from Lt.Colonel A.F.R.Lumby,C.I.E., O.B.E., and Secretary's recommendations thereon.

6. To consider the accounts of certain members, who are in arrears of subscriptions, with a view to write off of the amounts due from them.

7. To consider proposals regarding the series of lectures for this year.

8. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held in the General Staff Branch Committee Room at Army Headquarters on Tuesday the 2nd June 1936, at 10.15 a.m.

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PRESENT:-

Major-General C.B.Dashwood Strettell,C.B. (Presiding).
A.C.Badenoch, Esq.,C.I.E.,I.C.S.
Colonel G.C.Gowlland.
Major J.L.Carter,M.C. (Secretary).

1. Minutes of the Committee meeting held on the 4th July 1935 were read and confirmed.

2. The amount of premia awarded for articles and reviews published in the journals for July and October 1935 and for January and April 1936 was approved.

3. The Auditor's report and the Statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December 1935 were passed for presentation to the Council.

4. The Budget Estimates for the year 1936 were approved.

5. The letter from Lt.Colonel A.F.R.Lumby,C.I.E.,O.B.E., late Dy. Secretary Defence Department, was considered and it was decided that, in view of his long connection with the Institution both as a subscriber and a member of the Council, he be admitted a Life Member of the Institution without payment of any further subscription.

6. The accounts of certain members whose subscriptions are in arrears were examined. It was decided to write off a sum of Rs. 120/- out of a total amount of Rs. 140/- due. In respect of the balance of Rs. 20/- which is owing by Major H.Bullock, at present serving as D.J.A.G. with Headquarters Northern Command, the Committee desired that, before writing it off, a letter asking him to pay the amount be issued to Major Bullock under the signature of the President of the Committee. In the event of a non-payment, the
also be written off.

7. The programme of lectures for 1936, submitted by the Secretary, was referred to the Council for approval.

C B Stuart

Major-General,

President, Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INETITUTION OF INDIA.

Council meeting to be held on Tuesday the 2nd June 1936.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 4/7/35.

2. To hear the President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1935.

3. To consider the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1935 and the auditor's report thereon.

4. To record that no award was made in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1935.

5. To confirm the subject chosen for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1936.

6. To consider the arrangements made by the Executive Committee in respect of the lectures to be delivered during 1936.

7. To appoint three judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1936.

8. To elect a President and six members to form the Executive Committee for the year 1936-37.

9. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Council meeting held in the General Staff Branch Committee Room, Army Headquarters, on Tuesday the 2nd June 1936, at 11.0 a.m.

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PRESENT:-

Lt.General Sir William H.Bartholomew,K.C.B.,C.M.G., D.S.O., (President).

" Sir John E.S.Brind,K.B.E.,C.B.,C.M.G., D.S.O.

" Sir Arthur W.H.M.Moens,K.C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.

G.R.F.Tottenham, Esq.,C.S.I.,C.I.E.,I.C.S.

Major-General R.K.Hezlet,C.B.,C.B.E.,D.S.O.

" E.A.Walker,C.B.,M.B.,F.R.C.S.

" H.S.Gaskell,D.S.O.

" C.B.Dashwood Strettell,C.B.

Colonel R.H.Wilson,M.C.

" W.G.H.Vickers,O.B.E.

Major J.L.Carter,M.C. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on the 4th July 1935 were read and confirmed.

2. The President read his report on the affairs of the Institution during 1935, which was noted.

3. The Auditor's report and the Statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December 1935 were passed.

4. It was noted that none of the essays submitted in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1935 proved worthy of the award of the Gold Medal or the gratuity of Rs. 150.

5. The subject chosen by the Executive Committee for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1936 was approved.

6. The provisional programme of lectures for 1936, submitted by the Executive Committee, was approved. The question of lectures to be given under the auspices of the U.S.I. was [illegible] and the Secretary was directed to arrange lectures on [illegible]

of the Council might endeavour to find suitable lecturers on general subjects.

7. Subject to their agreement, the following were chosen to act as judges in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1936:-

Lt.General Sir John E.S.Brind,K.B.E.,C.B.,C.M.G.,D.S.O.

Sir David Petrie,Kt.,C.I.E.,C.V.O.,C.B.E.,M.A.

Brigadier V.H.B.Majendie,D.S.O.

8. The undermentioned members of the Council were elected to form the Executive Committee for 1936-37:-

Major-General C.B.Dashwood Strettell,C.B. (President).

H.Dow, Esq.,C.I.E.,I.C.S.

A.C.Badenoch, Esq.,C.I.E.,I.C.S.

Brigadier C.E.Edward-Collins,C.I.E.,A.D.C.

Colonel R.H.Wilson,M.C.

Colonel W.G.H.Vickers,O.B.E.

Major W.E.Maxwell,C.I.E.

9. The question of whether the Council of the Institution should apply for a Royal Charter of Incorporation was considered. It was decided that the President of the Council and the Secretary should discuss the question and forward proposals to members of the Council.

W.M.Matthews

Lieutenant-General,
President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

President's report for the year 1935.

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The Auditor's report and the statement of accounts for 1935 is in the hands of the Council, and it will be seen that the result of the year's working is a profit of, roundly, Rs. 6,600/- as against Rs. 6,902/- for the year 1934.

MEMBERSHIP. During 1935 the number of new members increased to 82 as against 50 in 1934, but 163 members resigned, died or were struck off the membership roll during the year, leaving a nett decrease of 81 members. On the other hand annual subscribers increased from 158 to 194. Considering the uncertainty as regards their future position which faced a large number of our members during 1935, these figures are not unsatisfactory.

On 31-12-1935, the membership was:-

Ordinary members.....	1514
Life members.....	392
Honorary member.....	1
	1907
Subscribers.....	194

Towards the close of 1935 a special effort was made to obtain more members and it is satisfactory to know that already 183 have joined the Institution as from 1st January 1936.

THE JOURNAL. In spite of an additional inducement in the form of higher payments for articles published, there was a shortage of really good articles suitable for publication. A large proportion of those received were of little value and had to be rejected.

FINANCE. The financial position of the Institution is sound. During the year a sum of Rs. 5,350/- was invested in Government of India securities and our investments now total Rs. 49,860/- as against Rs. 44,047/- at the close of 1934. In addition a sum of Rs. 5,679/- was at interest in the Saving's Bank account.

LECTURES. During the year the following lectures were delivered, all of which were well attended:-

1. "Archangel", by Lt.General Sir W.Edmund Ironside,K.C.B., C.M.G.,D.S.O.
2. "The Punjab Village", by F.L.Brayne, Esq.,M.C.,I.C.S.
3. "The Horse - Practice and Prejudice", by Major-General G.F.H.Brooke,D.S.O.,M.C.

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Lt.General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1935.

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THE UNITED SERVICE

Balance Sheet as at

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Capital and Liabilities			
Capital as at 1st January, 1935		90,105 12 1	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1935 ..		6,596 10 3	
			96,702 6 4
Liabilities			
Electricity		33 6 0	
Audit Fee		250 0 0	
			283 6 0
Advances to periodicals		..	80 8 0
Members and Subscribers at credit		..	1,553 7 0
Carried over			98,619 11 4

Government of India securities and our investments now total Rs. 49,860/- as against Rs. 44,047/- at the close of 1934. In addition a sum of Rs. 5,679/- was at interest in the Saving's Bank account.

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

31*st December*, 1935

PROPERTY AND ASSETS

			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
BUILDING (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1935	..	..	18,954 3 6	
Add—Additions during the year	..	..	264 14 3	
			19,219 1 9	
Less—Depreciation at 1½%	..	..	288 0 0	
				18,931 1 9
LIBRARY BOOKS (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1935	..	..	10,670 14 4	
Add—Additions in the year	..	..	908 11 6	
			11,579 9 10	
Less—Depreciation at—	Rs. a. p.			
5% on Opening Balance	.. 534 0 0			
50% on Additions	.. 454 0 0		988 0 0	
				10,591 9 10
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1935	..	..	2,441 7 9	
Add—Additions in the year	..	..	252 8 0	
			2,693 15 9	
Less—Depreciation at 6%	..	..	162 0 0	
				2,531 15 9
MAGIC LANTERN (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1935	..	..	758 2 4	
Less—Discount in purchase price	..	..	58 10 8	
			699 7 8	
Less—Depreciation at 7½%	..	..	52 0 0	
				647 7
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1934	..	..	..	2,936 5 0
MEDALS AND TROPHIES (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1935	..	..	..	3,105 8 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS				
Members and subscribers at debit	..	..	450 9 0	
Advertisement dues recoverable	..	..	110 10 0	
				561 3 0
	Carried over		..	39,305 3 3

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THE UNITED SERVICE

Balance Sheet as at

	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Brought forward				98,619	11	4
Total				98,619	11	4

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

31st December, 1935

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Brought forward ..			39,305 3 3
INVESTMENTS			
(Lodged at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody):			
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures—Face Value Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90		2,700 0 0	
5½% Bonds 1938—40—Face Value Rs. 15,000 at Rs. 98		14,700 0 0	
4% Bonds 1960—70—Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 103		8,240 0 0	
4% Bonds 1960—70—Face Value Rs. 5,000 at Rs. 107		5,350 0 0	
3½% Bonds 1947—50—Face Value Rs. 8,400 at Rs. 98-8-0		8,274 0 0	
Post Office 5-year Cash Certificates—	Rs. a. p.		
(*a*) Face Value ..	7,350 0 0		
Cost ..	4,800 0 0		
Interest accrued ..	1,687 8 0	6,487 8 0	
(*b*). Face Value ..	2,500 0 0		
Cost ..	1,875 0 0		
Interest accrued ..	508 12 0	2,383 12 0	
(*c*) Face Value ..	1,950 0 0		
Cost ..	1,200 0 0		
Interest accrued ..	525 0 0	1,725 0 0	
			49,860 4 0
DEPOSIT with Secretary, A. H. Q. Officers Library for Library Books		..	44 0 8
EXPENSES PREPAID		..	599 4 0
LIBRARY CATALOGUES.			
As on 1st January, 1935		834 0 0	
Less—Sold in the year		160 0 0	
			674 0 0
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES			
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd., London		117 10 8	
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd, Simla, in Current Account		2,192 7 0	
In Savings Bank Account		5,679 6 0	
In hand with Secretary		118 13 0	
In hand with Assistant Secretary		28 10 9	
			8,136 15 5
Total			98,619 11 4

SIMLA:
10th March, 1936.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants and Auditors.

THE UNITED SERVICE

Revenue Account for the year ended

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
To—			
Establishment		7,766 8 0	
Contingencies		372 2 0	
Printing and Stationery		274 11 3	
Insurance, Rates and Taxes		594 14 0	
Electricity		210 10 0	
Postage and Telegrams		876 3 0	
Exchange and Bank Charges		83 0 8	
Repairs to Buildings		329 4 0	
Repairs to Furniture		29 4 0	
Audit Fee		262 8 0	
			10,799 0 11
Lectures and Magic Lantern Expenses ..		..	273 1 0
U. S. I. Journal Expenses			
Printing		7,688 5 0	
Premia		3,293 0 0	
Postage and Freight		2,000 2 0	
			12,981 7 0
Arrears of Subscriptions written off ..		..	550 15 0
Purchase of Periodicals		..	522 3 2
Army Lists		..	34 8 0
Depreciation			
Buildings		288 0 0	
Library Books		988 0 0	
Furniture and Fittings		162 0 0	
Magic Lantern		52 0 0	
			1,490 0 0
Surplus			
Excess of Income over Expenditure ..		..	6,596 10 3
Total			33,247 13 4

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Rs. 49,860/- as against Rs. 44,047/- at the close of 1934. In addition a sum of Rs. 5,679/- was at interest in the Saving's Bank account.

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

31*st December*, 1935

				Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a. p.
By—								
Government Grant	..	..	..		..		9,000	0 0
Members and Subscriptions	..	..	..		..		17,891	0 0
Entrance Fees	..	..	..	1,349	0	0		
Life Subscriptions	..	..	..	240	0	0		
							1,589	0 0
Tactical Schemes	..	..	..		..		222	12 0
Sale of Journals	..	..	..	814	4	0		
		Rs.	a.	p.				
Advertisements in Journal		1,172	5	0				
Less—Commission paid	..	25	0	0	1,147	5	0	
							1,961	9 0
Interest on Investments		..	..		..		2,245	12 4
Sale of Periodicals, etc.		..	..		..		317	11 0
Miscellaneous receipts	..	..	..		..		20	1 0
Total	..	..	..				33,247	13 4

SIMLA :

10*th March*, 1936.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,

Registered Accountants and Auditors.

MACGREGOR

Cash Account for the year

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
To—		
Balances on 1st January, 1935, with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—		
In Current Account	422 7 2	
In Savings Bank Account	861 6 0	1,283 13 2
Interest on Investments	220 8 0	
Interest on Savings Bank Account ..	21 10 0	242 2 0
Total		1,525 15 2

Balance Sheet as at

Balance of Fund—		
As at 1st January, 1935	4,941 13 2	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure in the year	162 12 0	5,104 9 2
Total		5,104 9 2

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

MEMORIAL FUND

ended 31st December 1935.

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—			
Bank Charges	..		3 8 0
Medals	..		75 14 0
Closing Balances with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—			
In Current Account		563 9 2	
In Savings Bank Account		883 0 0	
			1,446 9 2
Total			1,525 15 2

31st December, 1935

Investments—		
(Lodged with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody)		
3½% Government Promissory Notes : Face Value Rs. 6,300 at Rs. 58 (approx.) ..		3,658 0 0
Balances at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—		
In Current Account	563 9 2	
In Savings Bank Account	883 0 0	
		1,446 9 2
Total		5,104 9 2

The Balance Sheet and Cash Account of the MacGregor Memorial Fund, as above set forth, have been compiled from the books, and in our opinion, correctly exhibits the affairs of the Fund.

SIMLA : P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,

10th March, 1936. *Registered Accountants and Auditors.*

LECTURES. During the year the following lectures were delivered, all of which were well attended:-

1. "Archangel", by Lt.General Sir W.Edmund Ironside,K.C.B., C.M.G.,D.S.O.
2. "The Punjab Village", by F.L.Brayne, Esq.,M.C.,I.C.S.
3. "The Horse - Practice and Prejudice", by Major-General G.F.H.Brooke,D.S.O.,M.C.

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Lt.General,
President, Council of the United Service Institution
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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee meeting to be held on Monday the 17th May 1937 at 4.30 p.m. in the Reading Room of the Institution.

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AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 2/6/36.
2. To consider the Auditor's report and Statement of Accounts for the year 1936.
3. To consider the Budget Estimates for 1937.
4. To consider the accounts of certain members, who are in arrears of subscriptions, with a view to write off of the amounts due from them.
5. To pass the award of premia for July & October 1936 and for January and April 1937.
6. To consider an increase in the monetary allotment for payment for articles published in the Journal.
7. To consider proposals regarding the series of lectures for this year.
8. To review the correspondence regarding the purchase of "Ackermann's Costume Plates of the Indian Army".
9. To consider the institution of a Contributory Provident Fund for the benefit of the Clerk and Librarian.
10. To consider proposals for the investment of surplus funds.
11. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on Monday the 17th May 1937 at 4.30 p.m. in the Reading Room of the Institution.

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Present.-

H.Dow, Esq.,C.S.I.,C.I.E.,I.C.S. (Presiding).
A.C.Badenoch, Esq.,C.S.I.,C.I.E.,I.C.S.
Colonel W.G.H.Vickers, O.B.E.
Colonel G.A.Pim.
Major W.E.Maxwell,C.I.E.
Captain G.M.Stewart (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on 2nd June 1936 were read and confirmed.

2. The Auditor's report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1936 were passed for presentation to the Council.

The Committee wished to have before them the amount spent in the year under review and in the preceding year on Library books. The Secretary was directed to ask the Auditor to provide this detail in future.

3. The amount of premia paid for articles and reviews published in the Journal from July 1936 to April 1937 inclusive was approved.

4. The programme of lectures for 1937 put forward by the Secretary was passed for presentation to the Council.

5. The accounts of certain members whose subscriptions were in arrears were examined. It was decided to write off Rs. 130/- out of a total of Rs. 210/- owing. In respect of the amounts owing by Lt.-Colonel G.F.Campbell, Major R.I.Maxwell, Major-Genl. Thorpe and Major J.W.Williams, the Committee decided that before writing off the amounts due, a letter requesting them to pay the amounts due and informing them that, in the case of failure to pay, their names would be posted in the Institution, should be issued under the signature of the President of the Institution

6. The Committee approved the proposal that the Secretary should be allowed to pay up to a maximum of Rs. 150/- per article at his discretion. (The previous limit had been Rs. 100/-).

7. The Committee considered the Secretary's suggestion that a Contributory Provident Fund for the benefit of the Librarian and of the Clerk should be instituted. This was unanimously agreed to in principle. The Committee recommended that, in view of their past services, the Institution should pay to the credit of such fund Rs. 1000/- in the case of the Librarian and Rs. 500/- in the case of the Clerk as initial lump sum donations. The Committee considered that the Provident Fund should be run on lines closely resembling Government contributory provident funds. The Secretary was directed to draw up detailed rules and proposals for circulation to members of the Executive Committee.

8. The Budget Estimates for the year 1937 were approved. The Committee recommended that the Secretary should purchase new Library books during the year to the value of Rs. 2000/- (estimated expenditure had been Rs. 1000/-) at his discretion. It was noted that the estimated surplus was enough to cover this expenditure together with extra expenditure which might be caused by the creation of a Provident Fund and payment of higher premia.

9. The Committee approved the proposal to invest Rs. 8000/- from cash in hand. The Committee considered that this should be placed in 3½ % Government paper which was standing at about Rs. 94-4 %

10. The Committee reviewed the correspondence regarding the purchase of "Ackermann's Costume Plates of the Indian Army". The Secretary was directed to make Mr. Bowen Lawton of 19 Down Street a firm offer of £ 50 for the set. In the event of Mr. Bowen Lawton refusing to accept the offer, Mr. H.Dow kindly consented to approach other dealers from whom he thought the Institution might obtain what was practically a complete set of plates at a low figure.

11. A vote of thanks to the late Editor and Secretary, Major J.L.Carter,M.C., was proposed by Major W.E.Maxwell and carried unanimously.

12. The Secretary was directed to investigate Colonel Vicker's proposal that free copies of the Journal be sent to the Times, Observer, Daily Telegraph and Morning Post. It was thought that these papers might review the Journal on occasions.

President,

Executive Committee, United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Council meeting to be held on Tuesday the 18th of May 1937 at 9.30 a.m., in the Reading Room of the Institution.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 2/6/36.

2. To hear the President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1936.

3. To consider the Statement of Accounts for the year 1936 and the Auditor's report thereon.

4. To record the decision of the Council in respect of no award in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1936.

5. To confirm the subjects chosen for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1937.

6. To confirm the award of MacGregor Memorial medals for 1936.

7. To consider the provisional programme of lectures for 1937.

8. To confirm Captain G.M.Stewart, R.E., in his appointment of Secretary of the Institution.

9. To appoint three judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1937.

10. To elect a President and six members to form the Executive Committee for the year 1937-38.

11. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Council meeting held at 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday the 18th May 1937 in the Reading Room of the Institution.

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Present.-

Lt-General Sir John E.S.Brind,K.C.B.,K.B.E.,C.M.G.,D.S.O. (Actg. President).

Sir H.A.F.Metcalfe,K.C.I.E.,C.S.I.,M.V.O.,I.C.S.

A.C.Badenoch, Esq.,C.S.I.,C.I.E.,I.C.S.

Brigadier V.H.B.Majendie,D.S.O.

Sir John Ewart,Kt.,C.I.E.

Squadron Leader B.E.Embry,A.F.C.

Captain G.M.Stewart (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd June 1936 were read and confirmed.
2. The President read his report on the affairs of the Institution during 1936.
3. The Auditor's report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1936 were passed.
4. The decision of the Council to make no award for any of the essays submitted in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1936 was confirmed.
5. The subjects chosen by the Executive Committee for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1937 were approved.
6. The awards in 1936 of a silver MacGregor Memorial medal to Captain J.B.P.Angwin,R.E. and of a silver medal and Rs. 100/- gratuity to No. 8372 Lance-Naik Muhammad Ishaq, 2/15th Punjab Regiment, were confirmed.
7. The provisional programme of lectures submitted by the Secreta for 1937 was approved.
8. Captain G.M.Stewart,R.E. was confirmed in his appointment of Secretary of the Institution.
9. The following gentlemen were selected to be judges for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1937-

C.M.C.Ogilvie, Esq., C.B.E.,I.C.S., Secy. Defence Deptt.

Air Commodore R.H.Peck,C.B.E., R.A.F.

Colonel [illegible],D.D.M.S. & T.

10. The undermentioned members of the Council were elected to form the Executive Committee for 1937-38-

Sir John Ewart,Kt.,C.I.E. (President).

Major-General M.Saunders,C.B.,D.S.O.

A.C.Badenoch, Esq.,C.S.I.,C.I.E.,I.C.S.

Brigadier C.E.Edward-Collins,C.B.,C.I.E.,A.D.C.

Brigadier V.H.B.Majendie,D.S.O.

Squadron Leader B.E.Embry, A.F.C.

Major W.E.Maxwell,C.I.E.

11. The President drew attention in his report to the paucity of entries for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition in recent years. The feeling of the Council was that the monetary award (at present Rs. 150/-) should be increased to about Rs. 500/-. After some discussion it was decided that the Executive Committee should investigate the matter and submit their recommendations for future years to the President.

Lieut.-General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

President's report for the year 1936.

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The Auditor's report and the Statement of Accounts 1936 are in the hands of the Council and show a satisfactor years working, the excess of income over expenditure being Rs. 9506/-/- as compared with Rs. 6596/-/- for the year 1935.

MEMBERSHIP.

Towards the end of 1935 special efforts were made t obtain more members to compensate for a decrease in members due to officers being transferred to the Special Unemployed As a result, 11 Life and 248 Ordinary members were obtained these, 42 were officers of Indian States Forces and 61 newl commissioned officers from Dehra Dun.

Against the above intake 18 Life and 139 Ordinary members died, resigned or were struck off for non-payment o subscriptions, etc., and their names were removed from the membership roll, leaving a nett increase of 102 members.

On 31-12-1936, the membership was:-

Life Members.....	385
Ordinary Members.....	1623
Honorary Member.....	1
Total.....	2009

Subscribers to the Journal, such as clubs, messes an military institutions, who at the beginning of the year numb 194, have decreased to 173.

FINANCE.

The financial position of the Institution is sound. The balance on capital account (property and assets) increas from Rs. 96,702/- at the end of 1935 to Rs. 1,06,208/- at the end of 1936.

Post Office Cash Certificates to the value of Rs. 250 matured and, of this sum, Rs. 2150/- was utilized to purchase another Rs. 2500/- worth.

During the year surplus cash to the amount of Rs. 120 was utilized to purchase Rs. 10,000/- worth of Govt. of India 4½ % bonds 1950-60 at Rs. 100-0-0.

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Lieut.-General,

Acting President of the Council, U.S.I. of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1936.

War Loan
4½% bonds

THE UNITED SERVICE

Balance Sheet as at

		Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Capital and Liabilities							
Capital as at 1st January, 1936		96,702	6	4			
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1936 ..		9,506	6	9			
					1,06,208	13	1
Liabilities							
Electricity		58	9	0			
Audit Fee		250	0	0			
Contingencies		6	5	0			
					314	14	0
Overdraft account with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., London.					99	8	0
Advances for periodicals					188	4	0
Members and Subscribers at credit					987	10	0
Advertisers at credit					182	1	0
Carried over					Rs. 1,07,981	2	1

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During the year surplus cash to the amount of Rs. 12000/- was utilized to purchase Rs. 10,000/- worth of Govt. of India 4½ % bonds 1955-60 at Rs. 120/-.

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

31*st December*, 1936

PROPERTY AND ASSETS

			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
BUILDING (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1936	..	..	18,931 1 9	
Less—Depreciation at 1½%	..	..	284 0 0	
				18,647 1 9
LIBRARY BOOKS (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1936			10,591 9 10	
Add—Additions in the year	..	..	965 0 8	
			11,556 10 6	
Less—Depreciation at—				
5% on Opening Balance	.. 530			
50% on Additions	.. 482		1,012 0 0	
				10,544 10 6
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS				
As at 1st January, 1936	..	..	2,531 15 9	
Add—Additions in the year	..	..	409 0 0	
			2,940 15 9	
Less—Depreciation at 6%	..	..	176 0 0	
				2,764 15 9
OPTICAL LANTERN (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1936	..	..	647 7 8	
Less—Depreciation at 7½%	..	..	48 0 0	
				599 7 8
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1934	..	..	..	2,936 5 0
MEDALS AND TROPHIES (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1934	..	..	..	3,105 8 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS				
Members and subscribers at debit	..	..	766 3 0	
Advertisement dues recoverable	..	..	21 14 0	
				788 1 0
Telephone trunk deposit	..	..		10 0 0
Carried over Rs.	..			39,396 1 11

THE UNITED SERVICE

Balance Sheet as at

	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Brought forward				1,07,981	2	1
Total				1,07,981	2	1

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

31st December, 1936

				Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a. p.
Brought forward ..							39,396	1 11
INVESTMENTS								
(Lodged at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody):								
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures—Face Value Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90				2,700	0	0		
5½% Bonds 1938—40—Face Value Rs. 15,000 at Rs. 98				14,700	0	0		
4% Bonds 1960—70—Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 103				8,240	0	0		
4% Bonds 1960—70—Face Value Rs. 5,000 at Rs. 107				5,350	0	0		
3½% Bonds 1947—50—Face Value Rs. 8,400 at Rs. 98-8-0				8,274	0	0		
4½% Bonds 1955-66—Face Value Rs. 10,000 at Rs. 120				12,000	0	0		
Post Office 5-year Cash Certificates—		Rs.	a.	p.				
(*a*) Face Value	..	7,350	0	0				
Cost	..	4,800	0	0				
Interest accrued	..	1,950	0	0	6,750	0	0	
(*b*) Face Value	..	1,950	0	0				
Cost	..	1,200	0	0				
Interest accrued	..	600	0	0	1,800	0	0	
(*c*) Face Value	..	2,500	0	0				
Cost	..	2,156	4	0	2,156	4	0	61,970 4 0
DEPOSIT—								
With the Secretary, A. H. Q., for Library Books							85	1 8
EXPENSES PREPAID—								
Telephone				136	0	0		
Periodicals				550	12	0	686	12 0
LIBRARY CATALOGUES—								
As on 1st January, 1936				674	0	0		
Less—Sold in the year				205	0	0		
							469	0 0
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES.—								
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—in Current Account				642	15	6		
In Savings Bank Account				4,164	3	0		
In hand with Secretary				412	15	0		
In hand with Assistant Secretary				153	13	0		
							5,373	14 6
Total							1,07,981	2 1

Examined and Found Correct in Accordance with the Books.

SIMLA:
11th February, 1937.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants and Auditors.

Revenue Account for the year ended

To—								
Establishment	..	..	..	7,766	4	0		
Contingencies	..	..	..	287	9	0		
Printing and Stationery		..	..	380	12	6		
Insurance, Rates and Taxes		..	..	573	14	0		
Electricity	..	..	..	196	0	0		
Postage and Telegrams		..	..	814	3	0		
Exchange and Bank Charges		..	..	90	14	6		
Repairs to Building		..	..	196	0	0		
Repairs to Furniture	..	..	..	31	3	0		
Audit Fee	..	..	..	250	0	0		
							10,586	12 0
Lectures and Optical Lantern Expenses			..		..		782	8 0
U. S. I. Journal Expenses—								
Printing	..	..	..	7,515	1	3		
Premia	..	..	..	3,042	5	4		
Postage and Freight		..	..	1,983	14	6		
							12,541	5 1
Arrears of Subscription written off			..		..		286	2 0
Purchase of Periodicals		..	..		..		502	12 0
Depreciation—								
Buildings	..	..	..	284	0	0		
Library	..	..	..	1,012	0	0		
Furniture and Fittings		..	..	176	0	0		
Magic Lantern	..	..	..	48	0	0		
							1,520	0 0
Surplus—								
Excess of Income over Expenditure			..		..		9,506	6 9
Total	..	..	..				35,725	13 10

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

31*st December*, 1936

By—				Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a. p.
Government Grant	..	..	..	..			9,000	0 0
Members and Subscriptions	..	..	..	..			19,030	8 0
Entrance Fees	..	..	..	1,874	0	0		
Life Subscriptions	..	..	..	725	0	0		
							2,599	0 0
Tactical Schemes	..	..	..	..			804	14 10
Army Lists	..	..	..	..			27	4 0
Sale of Journals	..	..	..	650	14	0		
		Rs.	a.	p.				
Advertisements in Journal	..	868	5	0				
Less—Commissions paid	..	25	0	0	843	5	0	
							1,494	3 0
Interest on Investments	..		..		..		2,440	5 0
Sale of Periodicals, etc.	..		..		..		298	0 0
Miscellaneous receipts	..	..	..		..		31	11 0
Total	..	..	..				35,725	13 10

SIMLA :

11*th February*, 1937.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,

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MACGREGOR

Cash Account for the year

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
To—		
Balances on 1st January, 1936, with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—		
In Current Account	563 9 2	
In Savings Bank Account	883 0 0	
		1,446 9 2
Interest on Investments	220 8 0	
Interest on Savings Bank Account ..	22 3 0	
		242 11 0
Total		1,689 4 2

Balance Sheet as at

Balance of Fund—		
As at 1st January, 1936	5,104 9 2	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure in the year	72 11 0	
		5,177 4 2
Total		5,177 4 2

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

MEMORIAL FUND

ended 31st December, 1936

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—		
Bank Charges	..	5 12 0
Medals	..	64 4 0
Gratuity	..	100 0 0
Closing Balances, with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—		
In Current Account	114 1 2	
In Savings Bank Account	1,405 3 0	
		1,519 4 2
Total		1,689 4 2

31st December, 1936

Investments—		
(Lodged with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody)		
3½% Government Promissory Notes : Face Value Rs. 6,300 at Rs. 58 (approx.) ..		3,658 0 0
Balances at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—		
In Current Account	114 1 2	
In Savings Bank Account	1,405 3 0	
		1,519 4 2
Total		5,177 4 2

The Balance Sheet and Cash Account of the MacGregor Memorial Fund, as above set forth, have been compiled from the books, and in our opinion, correctly exhibit the affairs of the Fund.

SIMLA : P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,

11th February, 1937. *Registered Accountants and Auditors.*

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Lieut-General,

Acting President of the Council, U.S.I. of India.

Executive Committee meeting to be held at New Delhi at 10 a.m. on Friday the 21st January, 1938.

A G E N D A.

To consider observations by members on the draft rules of the Institution, previously circulated by the Secretary.

Proceedings of a meeting of the Executive Committee held at New Delhi at 10 a.m. on Friday the 21st January, 1938.

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Present.-

Sir John Ewart,C.I.E. (Chairman).

Major-General M.Saunders,C.B.,D.S.O.

A.C.Badenoch, Esq.,C.S.I.,C.I.E.

Major-General C.E.Edward-Collins,C.B.,C.I.E.,A.D.C.

Brigadier V.H.B.Majendie,D.S.O.

Captain G.M.Stewart (Secretary).

1. The Secretary said that the existing rules of the Institut were drawn up in 1923 and were largely out of date. The remaining number of printed copies was small and more woul to be printed in the near future. A revised draft of the had been prepared by the Secretary and circulated to membe the Executive Committee, who had made certain criticisms The object of the meeting was to obtain agreement on the raised by members.

The Chairman explained that the revised rules would have approved by the Council before they came into force. Poi raised by members on the new draft were then considered i

2. Proceedings of the Institution.

(a) The omission of "Debates on military subjects at station in India" was confirmed.

(b) It was decided not to include "Assistance to off studying for the Staff College Entrance Examination" as activity of the Institution.

3. Government.

Proposed by Sir John Ewart, seconded by General Saunders carried unanimously.

(a) That the Council of the Institution should consi 12 members, 4 of whom should be ex-officio and 8

(b) That the ex-officio members should consist of:-

1 Chief of the General Staff - President.

2 Air Officer Commanding - Vice-President.

1 Secretary, Defence Department.

1 Secretary, External Affairs Department.

(c) That, in the absence at a General meeting or a Council meeting of the President and Vice-President, the next senior ex-officio member should take the chair.

(d) That notice of General meetings of members should be published in the Civil and Military Gazette, the Statesman and the Times of India, but not in the Pioneer.

4. Executive Committee.

It was decided that the Executive Committee should consist of a Chairman and four members, the Committee to have power to co-opt additional members when it thought fit.

5. Membership.

(a) The proposal in the new draft that the Life subscription to the Institution be raised to Rs. 160/- was confirmed.

(b) The inclusion of the word "Colonial" in sub-para 4 "Membership" of the proposed revised rules was confirmed.

6. Bye-Laws. (Contributions to the Journal.)

It was agreed that civil officials writing articles for the Journal should obtain their own sanction to publication under Government Servants Conduct Rules or any other orders applicable to them. The Secretary could not be responsible for obtaining sanction on behalf of civil officials.

7. Lectures.

It was decided that tickets to lectures, other than confidential lectures, should permit members to take two lady guests, and that the Secretary should have power to give up to 20 complimentary tickets to gentlemen who were not members of the Institution.

8. Provident Fund.

It was decided to authorise the Secretary to grant advances from the amount standing to the credit of an employee in the Provident Fund of the Institution at his discretion.

The last sentence on page 18 of the revised rules, which read as follows:

"An advance may not be granted for the purchase of a house or land, or for the erection of, or repairs to, a building, or to meet the expenses of law suits, or to repay ordinary debts, or to furnish security deposits, or to purchase motor cars or other means of conveyance, or to meet the marriage expenses of a European, Anglo-Indian or Indian Christian subscriber or any person actually dependent on him"

should be omitted.

9. The Secretary was instructed to amend the revised draft in accordance with the above decisions. It was decided that the revised rules should be placed before the present Council of the Institution for confirmation.

J.M. Lowndes

President,

Executive Committee, United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee meeting to be held on Thursday 5th May 1938 at 4.30 p.m. in the Reading Room of the Institution.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meetings held on 17th May 1937 and 21st January 1938.
2. To consider the Auditor's report and Statement of Accounts for the year 1937 (Note attached).
3. To consider the accounts of certain members, who are in arrears of subscriptions, with a view to write off of the amounts due from them (List attached).
4. To consider the Budget Estimates for 1938 (Note attached), and the investment of certain money in current and saving's bank accounts.
5. To approve the premia awarded for articles and reviews from July 1937 to April 1938.
6. To consider comments made by members of the Council on the draft rules of the Institution as drawn up by the Executive Committee at their meeting of 21st January 1938.
7. To consider the institution of a separate Saving's Bank Account in which the Provident Funds of employees of the Institution would be deposited.
8. To consider proposals for lectures during 1938.
9. To consider the question of presenting a memento to Major J.S.Bolton, late Assistant Secretary of the Institution, for his long and devoted service to the Institution; and to consider the confirmation of Major Bosworth as his successor.
10. To consider a letter of Lt.-Colonel B.R.Mullaly, 10th Gurkha Rifles, suggesting that the drawing of an officer's shako of the old 10th Madras Infantry, which is possessed by the Institution, be presented to his regiment.
11. To consider a letter from the Honorary Secretary, U.S.I. of Victoria, on the subject of reciprocal letters of introduction.
12. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held in the Reading Room of the Institution on 5th May 1938.

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Present:-

Major-General C.E.Edward-Collins,C.B.,C.I.E.
A.C.Badenoch, Esq., C.S.I.,C.I.E.,I.C.S.
Major W.E.Maxwell,C.I.E.
Captain G.M.Stewart, Secretary.
Major D.Bosworth, Assistant Secretary.

1. The minutes of the Executive Committee meetings held on 17th May 1937 and 21st January 1938 were read and confirmed.

2. The Auditor's report and statement of accounts for the year 1937 were passed for presentation to the Council. The Committee noted that the Institution had lost a number of members who had been transferred to the Special Unemployed List, Indian Army; and that the reduction in receipts from the sale of tactical schemes was due to the smaller number of officers sitting for the Staff College. They thought that these factors were of a temporary nature. Membership increased by 60% in the last twelve years and the resources of the Institution were steadily expanding.

3. It was decided to write off the sum of Rs. 443/10/- due from members who had not paid their subscriptions. These members had all had five reminders and a special letter from the Secretary.

4. The budget estimates for 1938 were approved. The Secretary was instructed to obtain the Bank's opinion, and to invest between Rs. 4,000/- and Rs. 5,000/-, which was surplus money lying in current account. The Committee considered that the money should be placed in stock with a fixed and reasonably near redemption date, rather than in Government Paper or equivalent security.

5. The prizes awarded for articles from July 1937 to April 1938 were [illegible] the proposals approved last year [illegible]

6. The Committee noted that the draft revised rules [redacted] Institution, as reviewed by them at their meeting on 21st January 1938, had been accepted by all members of the Council. Two main comments had been made by members of the Council which the Committee now accepted. The Secretary was directed to have the rules printed and issued.

7. It was decided to open a separate saving's bank account for the Provident Fund of the librarian and clerk.

8. The programme of lectures prepared by the Secretary for 1938 was recommended for acceptance by the Council.

9. The Committee decided to present Major J.S.Bolton, the late Assistant Secretary, with a cheque for ten guineas as a record of their appreciation of the excellent service he had rendered. It was largely due to his care that the Institution was on so sound a financial basis to-day.

10. It was decided to recommend to the Council the confirmation of Major D.Bosworth as Assistant Secretary, vice Major Bolton.

11. A letter received from Lt.-Colonel Mullaly, 10th Gurkha Ri[fles] asking whether the Institution would present his regiment with the drawing of an officer's shako of the old 10th Madras Infantry, was considered. The Committee decided that the original drawing should be kept in the Institution but they were willing to have a fascimile made for presentation to the 10th Gurkha Rifles, if this could be done. The Secretary was directed to write to Colonel Mullaly accordingly.

12. A letter from the Honorary Secretary, U.S.I., Victoria suggesting reciprocal letters of introduction was read. The Committee were in favour of reciprocity between the two institutions and considered that the Journal of the United Service Institution should be sent to the United Service Institution, Victoria.

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President,
Executive Committee, United Service Institution

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Council meeting to be held on Thursday 19th May 1938 at 4.30 p.m. in the Reading Room of the Institution.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 18th May 1937.

2. To hear the President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1937.

3. To consider the Statement of Accounts and the Auditor's report thereon for 1937.

4. To confirm the revision of the rules for the Institution.

5. To confirm the award of the MacGregor Memorial medal for 1937.

6. To confirm the award made in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1937.

7. To confirm the subjects set for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1938 and to select three gentlemen to judge the essays which will be submitted.

8. To confirm the appointment of Major D.Bosworth as Assistant Secretary, vice Major J.S.Bolton.

9. To consider the programme of lectures recommended by the Executive Committee for 1938.

10. To elect a president and four members, from among the members of the Council, to form the Executive Committee for 1938.

11. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held in the Reading Room of the Institution on 19th May 1938.

Present:-

Major-General C.J.E.Auchinleck,C.B.,C.S.I.,D.S.O.,O.B.E. (President).

C.MacI.G.Ogilvie, Esq., C.B.E.,I.C.S.

The Hon'ble Mr. R.M.Maxwell, C.S.I.,C.I.E.,I.C.S.

Lieut.-General Sir Bertrand R.Moberly,K.C.I.E.,C.B.,D.S.O.

Major-General H.S.Gaskell,C.B.,D.S.O.

Major-General C.E.Edward-Collins,C.B.,C.I.E.

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F.Tymms, Esq., C.I.E.,M.C.

Wing Commander A.L.A.Perry-Keene, R.A.F.

Major W.E.Maxwell, C.I.E.

Captain G.M.Stewart, R.E. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the Council meeting held on 18th May 1937 were read and confirmed.

2. The President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1937 was read.

3. The Statement of Accounts and the Auditor's report for 1937 were passed.

4. The revision of the rules of the Institution carried out by the Executive Committee during 1937 was confirmed and the Secretary was directed to have the new rules printed.

5. The award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal to Major F.R.L. Goadby,M.B.E., 1/6th Rajputana Rifles, for 1937 was confirmed.

6. The award of a Gold Medal to Lieut.-Colonel R.P.L.Ranking,M.C., 2nd Royal Lancers (Gardner's Horse), for the essay submitted by him in 1937 was confirmed.

7. The subjects set for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1938 were confirmed. It was decided to ask Lieut.-General Sir Roger Wilson, Adjutant General, Colonel S.W.Kirby, M.G.O. Branch, and Colonel G.B. Henderson, General Staff, to act as judges of the essays for 1938.

8. The appointment of Major D.Bosworth as Assistant Secretary of the Institution was confirmed.

9. The programme of lectures recommended for 1938 by the Executive Committee was confirmed, and it was decided also to ask Major J.E.H.Nicolls, General Staff, to lecture on the Sino-Japanese situation.

10. The following members were elected to serve on the Executive Committee of the Institution for 1938-39:-

A.C.Badenoch, Esq.

Major-General H.S.Gaskell.

Major-General C.E.Edward-Collins.

Wing Commander A.L.A.Perry-Keene.

Major W.E.Maxwell.

Major-General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

President's report for the year 1937.

1. The Auditor's Report and Statement of Accounts for 1937 are in the hands of members of the Council. They show another satisfactory year's working, the excess of income over expenditure being Rs. 6,324/13/1, which compares with Rs. 9,506/- in 1936 and Rs. 6,596/- in 1935.

2. MEMBERSHIP.

During the year 8 Life, 1 Honorary and 94 Ordinary Members were enrolled. Against this 5 Life and 187 Ordinary Members died or resigned, leaving a net reduction of 89 members. In this connection part of our loss has been due to the transfer of officers of the Indian Army to the Special Unemployed List, the majority of whom resigned membership shortly after leaving India. This is a factor which we think will be of a temporary nature, although it may be felt again this year.

Special efforts will be made in 1938 to maintain and increase membership, which on 31st December 1937 was:-

Life Members.....	388
Honorary Members.....	2
Ordinary "	1530
	1920

The number of subscribers to the Journal, i.e., regimental messes, clubs, libraries, etc., increased during the year from 173 to 184.

It may interest members to compare the present total of 2104 members and subscribers with the total on 31st December 1928, which was 1770.

3. FINANCE.

(a) The financial position of the Institution is sound. The following table shows the balance on capital account over the last ten years.

Capital Account as at-

1st January 1928.....Rs. 57,661/-

" " 1929.....Rs. 59,

1st January, 1931.....Rs. 64,739/-
" " 1932.....Rs. 70,768/-
" " 1933.....Rs. 74,756/-
" " 1934.....Rs. 83,208/-
" " 1935.....Rs. 90,105/-
" " 1936.....Rs. 96,708/-
" " 1937.....Rs.1,06,208/-
" " 1938.....Rs.1,12,533/-

During the year a sum of Rs. 7575/- was invested in 3½ % 1965 Bonds, bringing our total investments to Rs. 69,200/- face value, or Rs. 70,012/- market value. Our net liquid assets at the close of the year were approximately Rs. 76,000/-.

(b). As regards the actual year's working, a provident fund for the librarian and clerk was started with a donation of Rs. 1,000/- to the librarian and Rs. 500/- to the clerk, to which was added Rs. 107/- as the contribution of the Institution to the fund for 1937.

4. LIBRARY.

The library has been well kept up by purchase or presentation of new books. The total amount spent during the year on new books, including a handsome volume of "Ackermann's Costume Plates of the Indian Army", which is placed on the table for the inspection of the Council, was Rs. 1,648/- against Rs. 965/- in 1936.

5. JOURNAL.

Last year I mentioned that there was a dearth of good articles and that the Executive Committee would consider what could be done to improve matters. They decided during the year under review to increase the rate of premia payable for articles and this has certainly led to a marked improvement in the number and quality of articles submitted for publication.

6. LECTURES.

During the year the following lectures were delivered at Simla-

1. "Police work in India", by Sir John Ewart, C.I.E.
2. "The Influence of the Press in Great Britain and America", by Mr. Alexander Inglis.
3. "Expansion and problems of the R.A.F. in Great Britain", by Air Commodore R.H. Peck, O.B.E.
4. "Munition problems before and during war", by General Sir Henry E. ap Rhys Pryce, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., A.D.C.

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Major-General

President of the Council, United Service Institution of India.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

Statement of Accounts for the year ended
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Balance Sheet as at

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES		
CAPITAL as at 1st January, 1937	1,06,208 13 1	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1937 ..	6,324 13 1	
		1,12,533 10 2
LIABILITIES		
Electricity		
Audit Fee	39 4 0	
Establishment	250 0 0	
Repairs	150 0 0	
.. ..	168 0 0	
		607 4 0
Employees' Provident Fund		
Advances for periodicals		1,699 0 0
Members and Subscribers at credit		135 0 0
		880 10 0
Carried over	Rs.	1,15,855 8 2

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

31st December, 1937

PROPERTY AND ASSETS

			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
BUILDING (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1937	..	..	18,647 1 9	
Less—Depreciation at 1½%	..	..	280 0 0	
				18,367 1 9
LIBRARY BOOKS (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1937	..	..	10,544 10 6	
Add—Additions in the year	..	..	902 12 4	
			11,447 6 10	
Less—Depreciation at—				
5% on Opening Balance	.. 527			
50% on Additions	.. 452		979 0 0	
				10,468 6 10
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1937	..	..	2,764 15 9	
Add—Additions in the year	..	..	184 8 0	
			2,949 7 9	
Less—Depreciation at 6%	..	..	177 0 0	
				2,772 7 9
OPTICAL LANTERN (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1937	..	..	599 7 8	
Less—Depreciation at 7½%	..	..	45 0 0	
				554 7 8
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1934	..	..	2,936 5 0	
Add—Additions in the year	..	..	746 0 8	
				3,682 5 8
MEDALS AND TROPHIES (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1934	..	..	..	3,105 8 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS				
Members and subscribers at debit	..	..	836 15 0	
Advertisement dues recoverable	..	..	71 10 0	
				908 9 0
Carried over Rs.		..	..	39,858 14 11

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THE UNITED SERVICE

Balance Sheet as at

	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Brought forward				1,15,855	8	2
Total				1,15,855	8	2

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

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				Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Brought forward ..				..			39,858	14	11
INVESTMENTS									
(Lodged at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody) :									
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures—Face Value Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90				2,700	0	0			
5½% Bonds 1938—40—Face Value Rs. 15,000 at Rs. 98				14,700	0	0			
4% Bonds 1960—70—Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 103				8,240	0	0			
4% Bonds 1960—70—Face Value Rs. 5,000 at Rs. 107				5,350	0	0			
3½% Bonds 1947—50—Face Value Rs. 8,400 at Rs. 98-8-0				8,274	0	0			
4½% Bonds 1955—66—Face Value Rs. 10,000 at Rs. 120				12,000	0	0			
3½% Bonds 1865—Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 94-11-0				7,575	0	0			
Post Office 5-year Cash Certificates—	Rs.	a.	p.						
(*a*) Face Value ..	7,350	0	0						
Cost ..	4,800	0	0						
Interest accrued ..	2,212	8	0	7,012	8	0			
(*b*) Face Value ..	1,950	0	0						
Cost ..	1,200	0	0						
Interest accrued ..	750	0	0	1,950	0	0			
(*c*) Face Value ..	2,500	0	0						
Cost ..	2,156	4	0						
Interest accrued ..	54	11	0	2,210	15	0	70,012	7	0
DEPOSIT—									
With the Secretary, A. H. Q., Simla, for Library Books				..			282	10	0
EXPENSES PREPAID—									
Telephone				136	0	0			
Periodicals				453	13	6	589	13	6
LIBRARY CATALOGUES—									
As on 1st January, 1937				469	0	0			
Less—Sold in the year				110	0	0			
							359	0	0
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES—									
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd., 6 Pall Mall, London ..				558	0	0			
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—in Current Account				1,126	15	6			
In Savings Bank Account				2,745	9	0			
In hand with Secretary				226	14	0			
In hand with Assistant Secretary				95	4	3			
							4,752	10	9
Total							1,15,855	8	2

Examined and Found Correct in Accordance with the Books.

SIMLA :
3rd February, 1938.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants and Auditors.

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Revenue Account for the year ended

To—	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Establishment	7,842 0 0	
Contributions to Employees' Provident Fund ..	1,607 0 0	
Contingencies	322 11 3	
Printing and Stationery	178 4 6	
Insurance, Rates and Taxes	573 14 0	
Electricity	224 1 0	
Postage and Telegrams	821 8 6	
Exchange and Bank Charges	92 3 8	
Repairs to Building	196 5 9	
Repairs to Furniture	39 0 0	
Audit Fee	250 0 0	
		12,147 0 8
Lectures and Optical Lantern Expenses ..	..	271 8 0
U. S. I. Journal Expenses—		
Printing	8,487 0 0	
Premia	2,937 0 0	
Postage and Freight	1,976 3 3	
		13,400 3 3
Arrears of Subscription written off ..	..	354 8 0
Purchase of Periodicals	..	699 5 4
Essay Medal Prize	..	166 10 8
Depreciation—		
Buildings	280 0 0	
Library books	979 0 0	
Furniture and Fittings	177 0 0	
Optical Lantern	45 0 0	
		1,481 0 0
Surplus—		
Excess of Income over Expenditure ..	..	6,324 13 1
Total ..	..	34,845 1 0

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

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By—						Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a. p.
Government Grant	..		..		..				9,000	0 0
Members and Subscriptions	..		..		..				18,568	0 0
Entrance Fees	..	..		..		781	0	0		
Life Subscriptions	..	..		..		965	0	0		
									1,746	0 0
Tactical Schemes	..	..		..		..			391	12 0
Army Lists	..	..		..		..			12	0 0
Sale of Journals	..	..		..		660	4	0		
		Rs.	a.	p.						
Advertisements in Journal		1,087	6	0						
Less—Commissions	..	25	0	0		1,062	6	0	1,722	10 0
Interest on Investments	..			..		..			2,852	7 0
Sale of Periodicals	..			..		..			348	0 0
Miscellaneous receipts	..	..		..		..			100	7 0
Dividend from Alliance Bank of Simla, Ltd. (In Liquidation)	..			..		..			103	13 0
Total	..			..		..			34,845	1 0

SIMLA :
3rd February, 1938.

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Cash Account for the year

To—	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Balances on 1st January, 1937, with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—						
In Current Account	114	1	2			
In Savings Bank Account	1,405	3	0			
				1,519	4	2
Interest on Investments				220	8	0
Interest on Savings Bank Account				21	1	0
Dividend from Alliance Bank of Simla, Ltd. (In Liquidation)				16	6	8
Total				1,777	3	10

Balance Sheet as at

Balance of Fund—						
As at 1st January, 1937	5,177	4	2			
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure in the year	214	7	8			
				5,391	11	10
Total				5,391	11	10

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MEMORIAL FUND)

ended 31*st December*, 1937.

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—			
Bank Charges	..		5 8 0
Medals	..		38 0 0
Closing Balances, at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—			
In Current Account		307 7 10	
In Savings Bank Account		1,426 4 0	
			1,733 11 10
Total			1,777 3 10

31*st December*, 1937

Investments—		
(Lodged with Lloyds Bank, Ltd. Simla, for safe custody)		
3½% Government Promissory Notes : Face Value Rs. 6,300 at Rs. 58 (approx.) ..		3,658 0 0
Balances at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—		
In Current Account	307 7 10	
In Savings Bank Account	1,426 4 0	
		1,733 11 10
Total		5,391 11 10

The Balance Sheet and Cash Account of the MacGregor Memorial Fund, as above set forth, have been compiled from the books, and in our opinion, correctly exhibit the affairs of the Fund.

SIMLA :

3rd February, 1938.

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Registered Accountants and Auditors.

6. LECTURES.

During the year the following lectures were delivered at Simla-

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President of the Council, United Service Institution of India.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee meeting to be held on Thursday 4th May 1939 at 4.30 p.m. in the Reading Room of the Institution.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the last meeting held on 5th May 1938.
2. To consider the auditor's report and statement of accounts.
3. To consider the budget for 1939 and the investment of last year's profits.
4. To approve the premia awarded from July 1938 to April 1939.
5. To consider proposals for lectures during 1939.
6. To consider the preparation of a new catalogue and card index for the library.
7. Any other business that may be brought forward.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held in the Reading Room of the Institution on 4th May 1939.

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Present :-

A.C. Badenoch, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.

Wing-Commander A.L.A. Perry-Keene.

Major W.E. Maxwell, C.I.E.

Major R.E. Holloway, M.B.E., Secretary.

Major D. Bosworth, Assistant Secretary.

1. The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on 5th May 1938 were read and confirmed.
2. The Auditor's report and statement of accounts for the year 1938 were passed for presentation to the Council.
3. With regard to members who had not paid their subscriptions and were due to be struck off the roll of members in accordance with rule VI, 7 ; it was decided to write off the sum of Rs. 503/3 due from members who had left India. The Secretary was directed to write to the commanding officers of members still in India informing them that members who did not pay their arrears before either formally resigning or signifying their desire to continue their membership would be 'posted'.
4. The budget estimates for 1939 were approved. It was decided that no further funds should be invested at present. The amount deposited in the Savings Bank should be increased to the limit allowed and the remaining surplus funds placed in fixed deposit. The desirability of applying for an allotment of Government Loan, expected to be issued about July, if available on short term was to be considered at the time; otherwise the investment of surplus cash was to be considered in October.
5. The prizes awarded from July 1938 to April 1939 were approved.
6. The programme of lectures prepared by the Secretary for 1939 was recommended for acceptance by the Council. The Secretary was directed to [illegible]

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SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

MLA, 1st August 1939.

At the executive committee meeting on 4th May 1939, the secretary was directed to write to the commanding officers of members still in India informing them that members who did not pay their arrears before either formally resigning or signifying their desire to continue their membership would be 'posted'.

The commanding officers of twentythree members were accordingly written to. Fifteen paid up their arrears : eight remain. Their names have been struck off the roll of members. Each has received two reminders, one by registered post, in addition to the letter sent to his commanding officer.

In order to support the accounts, approval is requested to the write off of Rs. 130/-/- being the amount of arrears due.

Major,

Secretary, United Service Institution of India.

To

Sir John Ewart, C.I.E., I.P.

A.C. Badenoch, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.

Major-General N.M. Wilson, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E.,

Wing Commander A.L.A. Perry Keene.

Major W.E. Maxwell, C.I.E.

modernization of the defence services and to find out if any officer could be obtained with first hand knowledge of the Balkans or Mediterranean to give a lecture should the original programme not be adhered to.

7. The Secretary's proposals for card-indexing and cataloguing the library were approved.

8. The appointment of Mr. K.L.Bedi as full time clerk of the Institution on the pay of Rs. 100/- per month with annual increments of Rs. 5/-/- to Rs. 150/-/- per month maximum with effect from 1st June 1939 was confirmed. The provident fund rules to apply to him from that date.

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President,

Executive Committee, United Service Institution of India.

RECEIPTS.

Subscriptions.	Rs.	17,000/-
Entrance fees.	"	700/-
Interest on Investments.	"	3,400/-
Sale of Periodicals.	"	200/-
Sale of Catalogues.	"	-
Sale of Journals.	"	500/-
Advertisements in Journal.	"	1,000/-
Tactical Schemes.	"	400/-
Government Grant-in-Aid.	"	9,000/-

Rs. 32,200/-

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Forecast of Receipts and Expenditure for 1939.

EXPENDITURE.

Office Establishment.	Rs. 7,700/-
Provident Fund (Contributions & Interest).	" 300/-
Office Contingencies.	" 350/-
Stationery.	" 200/-
Printing (3000 copies of new rules)	" 100/-
Purchase of new books for Library.	" 1,500/-
Purchase of Periodicals.	" 550/-
Binding & repairs to books.	" 100/-
Furniture, new and repairs etc. (cabinet, steel).	" 300/-
Repairs to Building.	" 250/-
Journal - Printing & Postage.	" 10,000/-
Premia.	" 4,000/-
Postage & Telegrams.	" 800/-
Prize Essay Competition.	" 700/-
Electricity	" 200/-
Tactical Schemes & Maps.	" 150/-
Exchange on cheques & Bank charges.	" 100/-
Lectures.	" 600/-
Insurance, Rent & Taxes.	" 600/-
Audit Fee.	" 250/-
Miscellaneous.	" 350/-
Pool - Unforeseen expenditure, etc.	" 500/-
Depreciation.	" 1,000/-
	Rs. 30,600/-
Estimated Surplus.	" 1,600/-
	Rs. 32,200/-

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Council meeting to be held in the Reading Room of the Institution at 4.30 P.M. on Wednesday 17th May, 1939.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 19th May 19
2. To hear the President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1938.
3. To consider the Statement of Accounts and the Auditor's report thereon for 1938.
4. To confirm the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal 1938.
5. To confirm the award made in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1938.
6. To confirm the subject set for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1939 and to select three gentlemen to judge the essays submitted.
7. To confirm the appointment of Major R.E. Holloway as secretary vice Major G.M. Stewart.
8. To consider the programme of lectures recommended by the Executive Committee.
9. To elect a president and four members, from among the members of the Council, to form the executive committee for 1939-40.
10. To consider a proposal for approval as a member of the Institution of Mr. Alexander Inglis, Staff Correspondent of the London Times.
11. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held in the Reading Room of the Institution on 17th May 1939.

Present :-

Lieut-General E. de Burgh, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E. (President).
Air Marshal Sir P.B. Joubert de la Ferte, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Sir Aubrey Metcalfe, K.C.I.E., C.S.I., M.V.O., I.C.S.
Lieut-General Sir Bertrand R. Moberly, K.C.I.E., C.B., D.S.O.
Major-General N.M. Wilson, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E.
A.C. Badenoch, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.
Sir John Ewart, C.I.E., I.P.
Wing Commander A.L.A. Perry Keene.
Major W.E. Maxwell, C.I.E.
Major R.E. Holloway, M.B.E. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the Council meeting held on the 19th May 1938 were read and confirmed.

2. The President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1938 was read.

3. The Statement of Accounts and the Auditor's report for 1938 were passed.

4. The award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1938 to Lance Naik Mian Badshah, 2/13th Frontier Force Rifles was confirmed.

5. The subject set for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1939 was confirmed. It was decided to ask Mr. C. MacI. G. Ogilvie, Secretary Defence Department, Brigadier E.E. Dorman-Smith, Director of Military Training and, if present in India at the time, Air Marshal Sir Phillip Joubert de la Ferte to act as judges, and to ask Group Captain H.A. Whistler, Senior Air Staff Officer to act as a judge if the Air Marshal should be on leave in July

6. The appointment of Major R.E. Holloway as Secretary was confirmed.

The President proposed and Major-General N.M. Wilson seconded a vote of thanks to Major G.M. Stewart, R.E., the late secretary which was carried unanimously.

7. The programme of lectures recommended for 1939 by the Executive Committee was passed. It was agreed that the lecture on the Modernization of the Defence Services in India should be open to members only.

8. The following members were elected to serve on the Executive Committee of the Institution for 1939-40:-

Sir John Ewart, C.I.E., I.P.

A.C. Badenoch, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.

Major-General N.M. Wilson, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E.

Wing Commander A.L.A. Perry Keene.

Major W.E. Maxwell, C.I.E.

9. Major Maxwell proposed and Mr. Badenoch seconded that Mr. Alexander Inglis, Staff Correspondent of the London Times be admitted as a member of the Institution. The Council approved.

10. The Secretary proposed a change in the design of the cover. After discussion it was agreed that he should consult Mr. Hennessy, Principal Information Officer, on a suitable design and that Major Maxwell should approve a selected design which should be published in facsimile in the Journal to give older members an opportunity to object.

1939 Lieut-General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

President's report for the year 1938.

1. FINANCE.

The Auditor's Report for 1938 is before the members of the Council : the statement of accounts has been circulated to all members. The Auditor's report is satisfactory. It draws attention to the increase of expenditure under the headings of "Lectures" and "Essay Prize and Medals" which is in accordance with the policy laid down by the Executive Committee, and to a decrease in income under the head 'Members and Subscriptions' which is probably largely a result of the present unsettled conditions. The accounts show a satisfactory year's working the excess of income over expenditure being Rs. 5,278/6/7 which compares with Rs. 6,324/13/1 in 1937. The financial position of the Institution is sound. The balance on capital account now stands at Rs. 1,17,812/-/-. During the year investments to the value of Rs. 1,700/-/- matured and Rs. 5,574/6/- was invested in 3½ % Loan 1947-50 (Rs. 4,252/8/-) and Post Office Cash Certificates (Rs. 1,321/14/-) bringing the total investments at cost (or accrued value in the case of Post Office cash certificates) to Rs. 74,526/-/-. Cash and other balances amount to Rs. 5,630/-/-.

2. MEMBERSHIP.

During the year 2 life, and 86 Ordinary Members were enrolled. Against this 127 Ordinary Members died or resigned and 25 Members were struck off for non payment of subscription leaving a net reduction of 64. Under the new rules a further 37 have been struck off this year and it is possible that other members may similarly have to be struck off. There is an unfortunate tendency for officers to cancel their banker's orders or leave the country and cease paying subscriptions without formally resigning.

On 31st December 1938 membership was :-

Life Members	390
Honorary Members	1
Ordinary Members	1,465
	1,856

The number of regimental messes, clubs, libraries, etc., subscribing to the Journal was 194 an increase of 10 during the year.

It may interest members that in 1925, when the total membership was 1510 and the number of subscribers to the Journal 134, the President regarded it as doubtful whether a further increase in membership could be expected. Efforts to increase membership are being continued.

3. LIBRARY.

The library continues to be well kept up. A total of Rs. 974/- was spent on books. Including presentations, 149 volumes were added to the library during the year. Approximately 780 volumes were borrowed.

4. JOURNAL.

The increased rates of premia payable continued to attract a good quality of articles and the standard of the Journal was maintained. More contributions on naval, military and air force matters of up to date interest are, however, required.

5. LECTURES.

During the year the following lectures were delivered at Simla and were well attended. His Excellency the Viceroy honoured the Institution with his presence at the lecture on the "The Sino-Japanese Struggle" :-

1. "Experiences in Shanghai in 1937", by
   Major H.McL. Morrison, M.C.

2. "The Italo-Abyssinian Campaign 1935-36", by
   Lt. Col., A.C. Arnold, C.B.E., M.C.

3. "The Sino-Japanese Struggle", by
   Major J.E.H. Nicolls, M.C.

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President of the Council, United Service Institution of India.

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Statement of Accounts for the year ended
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CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES		
CAPITAL :		
As at 1st January, 1938	1,12,533 10 2	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1938, as per Revenue Account attached ..	5,278 6 7	
		1,17,812 0 9
LIABILITIES		
Electricity	41 0 0	
Audit Fees	250 0 0	
Periodicals	2 4 0	
Printing	7 12 0	
		301 0 0
Employees' Provident Fund	..	1,518 0 0
Advances for periodicals	..	169 0 0
Members and Subscribers at credit	1,017 1 0	
Advertisers at credit	25 0 0	
		1,042 1 0
Carried over	Rs.	1,20,842 1 9

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December*, 1938

PROPERTY AND ASSETS

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
BUILDING (BOOK VALUE)		
As at 1st January, 1938	18,367 1 9	
Less—Depreciation at 1½%	276 0 0	
		18,091 1 9
LIBRARY BOOKS (BOOK VALUE)		
As at 1st January, 1938	10,468 6 10	
Add—Additions in the year	973 10 10	
	11,442 1 8	
Less—Depreciation at— Rs. a. p.		
5% on Opening Balance 523 0 0		
50% on Additions 487 0 0	1,010 0 0	
		10,432 1 8
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS (BOOK VALUE)		
As at 1st January, 1938	2,772 7 9	
Add—Additions in the year	330 10 0	
	3,103 1 9	
Less—Depreciation at 6%	186 0 0	
		2,917 1 9
MAGIC LANTERN (BOOK VALUE)		
As at 1st January, 1938	554 7 8	
Less—Depreciation at 7½%	41 0 0	
		513 7 8
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES (BOOK VALUE)		
As at 1st January, 1938		3,682 5 8
MEDALS AND TROPHIES (BOOK VALUE)		
As at 1st January, 1934	3,105 8 3	
Add—Additions during the year	8 0 0	
		3,113 8 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS		
Members and subscribers at debit		1,027 4 0
Carried over Rs.		39,776 14 9

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THE UNITED SERVICE

Balance Sheet as at

	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Brought forward ..				1,20,842	1	9
Total				1,20,842	1	9

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

31*st December*, 1938

				Rs.	a.	p.	Rs. a. p.
	Brought forward			..			39,776 14 9
INVESTMENTS							
(Lodged with Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody) :							
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures—Face Value Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90	..	..	..	2,700	0	0	
4% Bonds 1960—70—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 103	..	..	..	8,240	0	0	
4% Bonds 1960—70—Loan Face Value Rs. 5,000 at Rs. 107	..	..	..	5,350	0	0	
3½% Bonds 1947—50—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,400 at Rs. 98-8-0	..	..	..	8,274	0	0	
3½% Bonds 1947—50—Loan Face Value Rs. 4,000 at Rs. 106-5-0	..	..	..	4,252	8	0	
4½% Bonds 1955—60—Loan Face Value Rs. 10,000 at Rs. 120	..	..	..	12,000	0	0	
3½% Bonds 1865—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 94-11-0	..	..	..	7,575	0	0	
3% Bonds 1962—65—Loan Face Value Rs. 15,500 at Rs 98-8-0	..	..	..	15,190	0	0	
Post Office 5-year Cash Certificates—		Rs.	a. p.				
(*a*) Face Value	..	7,350	0 0				
Cost	..	4,800	0 0				
Interest accrued	..	2,550	0 0	7,350	0	0	
(*b*) Face Value	..	2,500	0 0				
Cost	..	2,156	4 0				
Interest accrued	..	117	3 0	2,273	7	0	
(*c*) Face Value	..	1,500	0 0				
Cost	..	1,321	14 0				
Interest accrued	..	..		1,321	14	0	74,526 13 0
DEPOSIT—							
With the Secretary, A. H. Q., Simla, for Library Books	..	..	..	..			238 11 2
EXPENSES PREPAID—							
Telephone	..	..		136	0	0	
Periodicals	..	..		484	6	8	620 6 8
LIBRARY CATALOGUES—							
As at 1st January, 1938	..	..		359	0	0	
Less—Sold in the year	..	..		71	6	0	
							287 10 0
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES—							
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd., London	..	..		107	9	9	
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—in Current Account	..	..		1,323	11	2	
In Savings Bank Account	..	..		2,327	7	0	
In Savings' Bank Account for Employees Provident Fund	..	..		1,441	11	0	
In hand with the Assistant Secretary	..	..		191	3	3	
							5,391 10 2
Total	..	..		..			1,20,842 1 9

Examined and Found Correct in Accordance with the Books.

SIMLA :
29th January, 1939.

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Registered Accountants and Auditors.

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THE UNITED SERVICE

Revenue Account for the year ended

To—	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Establishment	7,852 14 0	
Contributions to Employees' Provident Fund with Interest	313 0 0	
Gratuity	140 0 0	
Contingencies	334 13 3	
Printing and Stationery	378 13 6	
Insurance, Rates and Taxes	573 14 0	
Electricity	172 9 0	
Postage and Telegrams	695 11 6	
Exchange and Bank Charges	104 9 11	
Repairs to Buildings	295 11 0	
Repairs to Furniture	130 4 0	
Audit Fees	250 0 0	
		11,242 4 2
Lectures and Magic Lantern Expenses ..	..	817 3 0
U. S. I. Journal Expenses—		
Printing	8,189 0 0	
Premia	3,102 5 4	
Postage and Freight	1,973 2 0	
		13,264 7 4
Arrears of Subscriptions written off ..	..	497 2 0
Purchase of Periodicals	..	543 3 8
Depreciation—	..	666 10 8
Building		
Library books	276 0 0	
Furniture and Fittings	1,010 0 0	
Magic Lantern	186 0 0	
	41 0 0	
Surplus—		1,513 0 0
Excess of Income over Expenditure ..	..	5,278 6 7
Total		33,822 5 5

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

31*st December*, 1938

By—					Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a. p.
Government Grant	..	..	..	..				9,000	0 0
Members and Subscriptions	..	..	..	..				17,303	0 0
Entrance Fees	..	..	..	..	706	0	0		
Life Subscriptions	..	..	..	..	835	0	0		
								1,541	0 0
Tactical Schemes	..	..	..	..				533	4 0
Army Lists	..	..	..	..				27	4 0
Sale of Journals	..	..	..	..	581	4	0		
		Rs.	a.	p.					
Advertisements in Journals		1,053	4	0					
Less—Commissions	..	45	2	0	1,008	2	0	1,589	6 0
Interest on Investments	..		..		..			2,992	14 0
Premium on conversion of Securities			..		..			562	8 0
Sale of Periodicals	..		..		..			253	0 0
Miscellaneous receipts ..	..		..		..			19	9 2
Income-Tax	..		..		..		..	0	8 3
Total	..		..		..			33,822	5 5

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THE UNITED SERVICE

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Cash Account for the year

To—	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Balances on 1st January, 1938, with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—		
In Current Account	307 7 10	
In Savings Bank Account	1,426 4 0	
		1,733 11 10
Interest on Investments	..	234 0 7
Income-Tax deducted on interest paid to vendors on 1,400/- 3% 1963-65 Loan	..	16 1 0
	..	1 1 8
Total		1,984 15 1

Balance Sheet as at

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.

Balance of Fund—		
As at 1st January, 1938	5,391 11 10	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure ..	112 15 3	
		5,504 11 1
Total		5,504 11 1

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

MEMORIAL FUND)

ended 31*st December*, 1938.

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—		
Bank Charges		11 12 0
Medals		26 4 0
Gratuity		100 4 0
Cost of Rs. 1,400 3% 1963-65 Loan		1,379 0 0
Closing Balances—		
In Current Account with Lloyds' Bank Ltd., Simla		467 11 1
Total		1,984 15 1

31*st December*, 1938

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

Investments—		
(Lodged with Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody).		
3½% Government Loan 1842-43, Face Value Rs. 2,000/- at Rs. 58/- (approx.) ..	3,658 0 0	
3½% Government Loan 1865, Face Value Rs. 4,300/- at 58/- (approx.) ..		
3% 1963-65 Loan Face Value Rs. 1,400/- at 98-8-0	1,379 0 0	
		5,037 0 0
Balance at Lloyds' Bank Ltd., Simla, in Current Account		467 11 1
Total		5,504 11 1

The Balance Sheet and Cash Account of the MacGregor Memorial Fund, as above set forth, have been compiled from the books kept and in our opinion, correctly exhibits the affairs of the Fund.

SIMLA :

29*th January*, 1939.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,

Registered Accountants and Auditors.

1. "Experiences in Shanghai in 1937", by
   Major H.McL. Morrison, M.C.

2. "The Italo-Abyssinian Campaign 1935-36", by
   Lt. Col., A.C. Arnold, C.B.E., M.C.

3. "The Sino-Japanese Struggle", by
   Major J.E.H. Nicolls, M.C.

Lieut-General,

President of the Council, United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee meeting to be held on Monday 6th May 1940 at 4.30 in the Reading Room of the Institution.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the last meeting held on 4th May 1939.

2. To consider the auditor's report.

3. To consider the budget for 1940.

4. To consider the investment of available cash.

5. To approve Premia awarded from July 1939 to April 1940.

6. To consider proposals for lectures during 1940 for recommendation to the Council.

7. To consider the recommendation to be made for the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal.

8. Any other business that may be brought forward.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held in the Reading Room of the Institution on 6th May 1940.

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Present :-

Major-General N.M. Wilson, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E.
Wing-Commander A.L.A. Perry-Keene, R.A.F.
Major W.E. Maxwell, C.I.E.
Major R.E. Holloway, M.B.E. (Outgoing Secretary).
Major G.T. Wheeler (Incoming Secretary).

1. The minutes of the Executive Committee held on 4th May 1939 were read and confirmed.

2. The Auditor's report and statement of accounts for the year 1939 were passed for presentation to the Council.

3. It was decided to write off the sum of Rs. 190/- in respect of subscriptions due from members who had left India and who were to be struck off the roll of members under Rule VI, 7. The Secretary was directed to write to the commanding officers of members still in India informing them that members who did not pay their arrears before either formally resigning or signifying their desire to continue their membership would be 'posted'.

4. The budget estimates for 1940 were approved.

5. It was agreed that Rs. 15,000/- should be invested. The proposal to invest this in 3% Government Loan 1963-65 was to be referred for advice to Sir Ernest Burdon and Dr. Gregory and their advice accepted.

6. The award of premia from July 1939 to April 1940 was approved.

7. It was decided to arrange lectures as follows during July and and August:-

By Dr. T.E. Gregory - two lectures.
One Naval lecture.
One Air Force lecture.
One lecture on Scandinavia.

8. It was decided to recommend that [illegible] be awarded the Macgregor Memorial Medal.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

No. 217/C. SIMLA, 18th October 1940. ~~1938~~

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Dear Maxwell

At the executive committee meeting on 6th May 1940, the secretary was directed to write to the Commanding Officers of members whose subscriptions for 1939 were in arrears informing them that members who did not pay would be 'posted'.

The commanding officers of seven members were accordingly written to. Two paid up their arrears ; five remain. Their names have been posted in the hall of the Institution and they have been struck off the roll of members. Each has received two reminders, one by registered post, in addition to the letter sent to his commanding officer.

In order to support the accounts, approval is requested to the writing off of Rs. 50/-/- being the sum involved.

Yours sincerely,

Major,
Secretary, United Service Institution of India.

To

Major W.E. Maxwell, C.I.E.

(Copy to other members of the Executive Committee).

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I agree to Rs 50/-
being written off.
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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

NO. 217/C. SIMLA, 18th October 1940. ~~193xxx~~

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Dear General

At the executive committee meeting on 6th May 1940, the secretary was directed to write to the Commanding Officers of members whose subscriptions for 1939 were in arrears informing them that members who did not pay would be 'posted'.

The commanding officers of seven members were accordingly written to. Two paid up their arrears : five remain. Their names have been posted in the hall of the Institution and they have been struck off the roll of members. Each has received two reminders, one by registered post, in addition to the letter sent to his commanding officer.

In order to support the accounts, approval is requested to the writing off of Rs. 50/-/- being the sum involved.

Major,
Secretary, United Service Institution of India.

To

Major-General C.A.Bird, D.S.O.
(Copy to other members of the Executive Committee).

Secretary.

Approved.

21.10.40 C.A.Bird Major General

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Dear Wheeler

With reference to your letter No.217/C dated 18th October, 1940, I agree to the write off of Rs.50/- on account of 1939 subscriptions not paid.

A. Pens-Leane

Group Captain.

Secretary,
United Service Institution of India,
Simla.

9. It was agreed that Lieut-Colonel N.G. Pring, A.I.R.O. should be allowed to become a life member of the Institution on payment of the balance due after deducting the subscriptions paid by him to date.

Major-General,
President Executive Committee, United Service Institution of India.

RECEIPTS.

Subscriptions.	Rs.	16,000/-
Entrance fees.	"	700/-
Interest on Investments.	"	2,500/-
Sale of Periodicals.	"	200/-
Sale of Journals.	"	500/-
Advertisements in Journal.	"	500/-
Government Grant-in-Aid.	"	9,000/-
	Rs.	29,400/-

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Forecast of Receipts and Expenditure for 1940.

EXPENDITURE.

Office Establishment.	Rs.	7,700/-
Provident Fund (Contributions & Interest).	"	300/-
Office Contingencies.	"	300/-
Stationery.	"	200/-
Printing (New catalogue)	"	500/-
Purchase of new books for Library.	"	1,000/-
Purchase of Periodicals.	"	600/-
Binding & repairs to books.	"	100/-
Repairs to Building.	"	100/-
Journal - Printing & Postage.	"	9,000/-
Premia.	"	3,500/-
Postage & Telegrams.	"	650/-
Prize Essay Competition.	"	500/-
Electricity.	"	150/-
Exchange on cheques & Bank Charges	"	100/-
Lectures.	"	600/-
Insurance, Rent & Taxes.	"	600/-
Audit Fee.	"	250/-
Miscellaneous.	"	200/-
Depreciation.	"	1,400/-
	Rs.	27,750/-
Estimated surplus	"	1,650/-
	Rs.	29,400/-

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Council meeting to be held in the Reading Room of the Institution at 6 p.m. on Wednesday 22nd May 1940.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 1939.

2. To hear the President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1939.

3. To consider the Statement of Accounts and the Auditor's report thereon for 1939.

4. To confirm the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal 1939.

5. To confirm the award made in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1939.

6. To confirm the subject set for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1940 and to select three gentlemen to judge the essays submitted.

7. To confirm the appointment of Major G.T. Wheeler as secretary vice Major R.E. Holloway.

8. To consider the programme of lectures recommended by the Executive Committee.

9. To elect a president and four members, from among the members of the Council, to form the executive committee for 1940-41.

10. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held in the Reading Room of the Institution on 22nd May 1940.

Present :-

Lieut-General E. de Burgh, C.B., D.S.O., C.B.E. (President).
Air Marshal Sir J.F.A. Higgins, K.C.B., K.B.E.,D.S.O.,A.F.C.
C.MacI.G. Ogilvie, Esq., C.B.E., I.C.S.
Major-General N.M. Wilson, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E.
Major-General C.A. Bird, D.S.O.
Brigadier E.E. Dorman-Smith, M.C.
Dr. T.E. Gregory, D.Sc.
Wing Commander A.L.A. Perry-Keene, R.A.F.
Major W.E. Maxwell, C.I.E.
Major G.T. Wheeler. (Secretary).

1. The minutes of the Council meeting held on the 17th May 1939 were read and confirmed. It was decided that the author's name or pen-name should be included on the cover of the Journal against each article.

2. The President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1939 was read.

3. The Statement of Accounts and the Auditor's report for 1939 were passed.

4. The award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1939 to 2nd Lieut. R. Hamond, 1st Royal Norfolk Regiment, was confirmed.

5. It was confirmed that there should be no award made in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1939.

6. The following subject was recommended for the Gold Medal Prize Essay 1941 :-

"The Defence Organization of a Dominion India".

It was decided to ask Colonel C.M.P. Durnford, Military Operations, Lieut-Colonel R. Richardson, M.C., Deputy Director Staff Duties and Mr. P. Mason, I.C.S., Deputy Defence Secretary to act as judges of the essays for 1940.

7. The appointment of Major G.T. Wheeler as Secretary was confirmed.

Major-General N.M. Wilson proposed a vote of thanks to Major R.E. Holloway, R.E., which was carried unanimously.

8. The programme of lectures recommended for 1940 by the Executive Committee was approved.

9. The following members were elected to serve on the Executive Committee of the Institution for 1940-41 :-

Major-General N.M. Wilson, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E.,	(President).
Major-General C.A. Bird, D.S.O.	(Member).
Dr. T.E. Gregory, D.Sc.	(").
Wing Commander A.L.A. Perry-Keene, R.A.F.	(").
Major W.E. Maxwell, C.I.E.	(").

10. It was agreed that every effort should be made to produce articles for the Journal of a more provocative nature than hitherto. As a first step to this end it was agreed that the names of authors who wished to be anonymous should be disclosed to nobody by the Secretary. This decision is to be made known to members.

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Lieut-General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

President's Report for 1939.

1. Finance.

The auditor's report is before the members of the council : the statement of accounts has been issued to all members of the institution. The Auditor's report is satisfactory. Income from subscriptions, interest on investments and the sale of tactical schemes has declined. Expenditure has been generally reduced, principally on the Journal which has, however, maintained a satisfactory standard. As a result the years working shows an excess of income over expenditure of Rs. 4,989-13-7 as against Rs. 5,278-6-7 the year before.

The financial position of the Institution remains sound. The balance on capital account stands at Rs. 1,22,801-14-4. No investments were made last year. Rs. 7,350/- in Post Office Cash Certificates matured. Investments, Post Office Cash Certificates, and fixed deposit total Rs. 72,297-1-6, Investments had however depreciated in value at the end of the year by a net amount of Rs. 3,879-0-0 below cost. Cash and other balances amount to Rs. 13,609-7-2.

2. Membership.

The result of the war has apparently been that a number of members have resigned prematurely while others have failed to pay their subscriptions while neglecting to resign. Prospective members refrained from joining at first.

84 ordinary members were enrolled during the year against 80 ordinary members died or resigned. 39 members were struck off for non-payment of subscriptions leaving a net reduction of 35. This is a lower net reduction than the previous year, but only because special measures were taken to extend membership.

A further 32 members have had to be struck off for non-payment of subscription, since the close of the year, although it is possible that some of these may pay up in due course.

On 31st December 1939 the position was :-

Life members	390
Honorary member	1
Ordinary members	1,430
	1,821

The small reduction since last year is satisfactory in the circumstances and there are signs that membership will continue at a satisfactory total.

5. Library.

The library has now been fully card indexed on a proper system and it is hoped to issue the new catalogue this year. Purchase of suitable books continues and the popularity of the library is maintained.

123 Books were added during the year and 624 borrowed.

It is hoped that members will make suggestions for the purchase of volumes likely to be of interest or value.

4. Journal.

As mentioned, the standard of the journal has been maintained; but more contributions would be welcomed. Entries for the Prize Essay were disappointing in numbers and did not merit the award of the medal.

5. Lectures.

During the year the following lectures were delivered at Simla and were well attended. His Excellency the Punjab Governor honoured the Institution with his presence at the lecture on the "N.W.F.P. Policies".

1. "How a Journalist gets his news" by Jossleyn Hennessy, Esq.
2. "N.W.F.P. Policies" by Major W.E. Maxwell, C.I.E.
3. "Economic and financial aspects of Defence and Re-armament", by Dr. T.E. Gregory, D.Sc.
4. "Modernization of the Land Forces in India" by Brigadier E.E. Dorman-Smith, M.C.

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Balance Sheet as at

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CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES			
CAPITAL :			
As at 1st January, 1939		1,17,812 0 9	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1939, as per Revenue Account attached ..		4,989 13 7	
			1,22,801 14 4
LIABILITIES			
Electricity		24 0 0	
Audit Fee		250 0 0	
			274 0 0
Employees' Provident Fund		..	1,953 0 0
Advances for periodicals		..	108 4 0
Members and Subscribers at credit		759 2 0	
Advertisers at credit		40 0 0	
			799 2 0

Carried over .. .. Rs. 1,25,936 4 4

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December*, 1939

PROPERTY AND ASSETS

	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
BUILDING (BOOK VALUE)						
As at 1st January, 1939	18,091	1	9			
Less—Depreciation at 1½%	271	0	0			
				17,820	1	9
LIBRARY BOOKS (BOOK VALUE)						
As at 1st January, 1939	10,432	1	8			
Add—Additions in the year	680	12	2			
	11,112	13	10			
Less—Depreciation at—	Rs.	a.	p.			
5% on Opening Balance	522	0	0			
50% on Additions	340	0	0	862	0	0
				10,250	13	10
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS (BOOK VALUE)						
As at 1st January, 1939	2,917	1	9			
Add—Additions in the year	379	7	9			
	3,296	9	6			
Less—Depreciation at 6%	198	0	0			
				3,098	9	6
MAGIC LANTERN (BOOK VALUE)						
As at 1st January, 1939	513	7	8			
Less—Depreciation at 7½%	38	0	0			
				475	7	8
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES (BOOK VALUE)						
As at 1st January, 1939				3,682	5	8
MEDALS AND TROPHIES (BOOK VALUE)						
As at 1st January, 1939				3,113	8	3
SUNDRY DEBTORS						
Members and subscribers at debit				570	0	0
Carried over Rs.				39,010	14	8

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Balance Sheet as at

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Brought forward				1,25,936	4	4
Total				1,25,936	4	4

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

31*st December*, 1939

				Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a. p.
Brought forward			..		..		39,010	14 8
INVESTMENTS								
(Lodged with Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody) :								
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures—Face Value Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90	..	..		2,700	0	0		
4% Bonds 1960—70—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 103	..	..		8,240	0	0		
4% Bonds 1960—70—Loan Face Value Rs. 5,000 at Rs. 107	..	..		5,350	0	0		
3½% Bonds 1947—50—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,400 at Rs. 98-8-0	..	..		8,274	0	0		
3½% Bonds 1947—50—Loan Face Value Rs. 4,000 at Rs. 106-5-0	..	..		4,252	8	0		
4½% Bonds 1955—60—Loan Face Value Rs. 10,000 at Rs. 120	..	..		12,000	0	0		
3½% Bonds 1865—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 94-11-0	..	..		7,575	0	0		
3% Bonds 1963—65—Loan Face Value Rs. 15,500 at Rs. 98-0-0	..	..		15,190	0	0		
Post Office 5-year Cash Certificates—	Rs.	a.	p.					
(*a*) Face Value	.. 2,500	0	0					
Cost	.. 2,156	4	0					
Interest accrued	.. 195	5	0	2,351	9	0		
(*b*) Face Value	.. 1,500	0	0					
Cost	.. 1,321	14	0					
Interest accrued	.. 39	13	6	1,361	11	6	67,294	12 6
EXPENSES PREPAID—								
Telephone	..	..		136	0	0		
Periodicals	..	..		344	5	9	480	5 9
FIXED DEPOSIT—								
With Lloyds' Bank Ltd., Simla	..	..		5,000	0	0	..	
Interest accrued thereon	..	..		2	7	0	5,002	7 0
LIBRARY CATALOGUES—								
As at 1st January, 1939	..	..		287	10	0		
Less—Sold in the year	..	..		28	12	0	258	14 0
SUSPENSE—							279	7 3
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES—								
At Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., London	..	..		223	4	5		
At Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., Simla—in Current Account	..	..		2,144	13	3		
In Savings Bank Account	..	..		9,415	0	0		
In Savings Bank Account for Employees' Provident Fund	..	..		1,700	14	0		
In hand with the Assistant Secretary	..	..		125	7	6		
							13,609	7 2
Total			..		..		1,25,936	4 4

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SIMLA :
5th March, 1940.

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Revenue Account for the year ended

To—	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Establishment	7,633 0 0	
Contributions to Employees' Provident Fund with Interest	273 0 0	
Contingencies	547 9 6	
Printing and Stationery	100 14 0	
Insurance, Rates and Taxes	573 14 0	
Electricity	114 10 0	
Postage and Telegrams	611 3 3	
Exchange and Bank Charges	86 4 10	
Repairs to Buildings	237 5 0	
Audit Fees	250 0 0	
		10,427 12 7
Lectures	..	640 2 0
U. S. I. Journal Expenses—		
Printing	7,128 4 6	
Premia	2,696 5 4	
Postage and Freight	1,796 5 3	
		11,620 15 1
Arrears of Subscriptions written off ..	..	629 5 0
Purchase of Periodicals	..	653 1 7
Essay Prizes	..	200 0 0
Depreciation—		
Building	271 0 0	
Library books	862 0 0	
Furniture and Fittings	198 0 0	
Magic Lantern	38 0 0	
		1,369 0 0
Surplus—		
Excess of Income over Expenditure ..	..	4,989 13 7
Total . .		30,530 1 10

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

31*st December*, 1939

				Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a. p.
By—								
Government Grant	..	..	..		..		9,000	0 0
Members and Subscriptions	..	..	..		..		16,350	14 0
Entrance Fees	..	..	..	712	0	0		
Life Subscriptions	..	..	..	10	0	0		
							722	0 0
Tactical Schemes	..	..	..		..		19	15 0
Army Lists	..	..	..		..		5	0 0
Sale of Journals	..	..	..	542	15	6		
		Rs.	a. p					
Advertisements in Journals		1,187	13 10					
Less—Commission	..	47	14 0					
				1,139	15	10		
							1,682	15 4
Interest on Investments	..		..		..		2,522	13 0
Sale of Periodicals	..		..		..		226	8 0
Total	..		..				30,530	1 10

SIMLA :
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Cash Account for the year

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
To—		
Balance on 1st January, 1939, with Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., Simla—		
In Current Account		467 11 1
Interest on Investments		262 8 0
Total		730 3 1

Balance Sheet as at

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.

Balance of Fund—		
As at 1st January, 1939	5,504 11 1	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure ..	220 8 0	
		5,725 3 1
Total		5,725 3 1

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

MEMORIAL FUND)

ended 31*st December*, 1939.

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—		
Bank Charges		3 0 0
Medals		39 0 0
Closing Balance—		
In Current Account with Lloyds' Bank Ltd., Simla		688 3 1
Total		730 3 1

31*st December*, 1939

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Investments—		
(Lodged with Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody).		
3½% Government Loan 1842-43, Face Value Rs. 2,000/- at 58/- (approx.) ..	3,658 0 0	
3½% Government Loan 1865, Face Value Rs. 4,300/- at 58/- (approx.) ..		
3% 1963-65 Loan Face Value Rs. 1,400/- at 98-8-0	1,379 0 0	
		5,037 0 0
Balance at Lloyds' Bank Ltd., Simla, in Current Account		688 3 1
Total		5,725 3 1

The Balance Sheet and Cash Account of the MacGregor Memorial Fund, as above set forth, have been compiled from the books kept and in our opinion, correctly exhibits the affairs of the Fund.

SIMLA :

5th March, 1940.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,

Registered Accountants and Auditors.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee meeting to be held on Monday 26th May 1941 at 6.00 p.m. in the Reading Room of the Institution.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the last meeting held on 6th May 1940.
2. To consider the auditor's report.
3. To consider the budget for 1941.
4. To approve the investment of Rs. 15,000/- in 3% Defence Loans.
5. To sanction the write off of Rs. 247/10/-, the book value of old copies of the Library catalogue.
6. To approve the expenditure of Rs. 1,390/8/6 on the new 1940 library catalogue.
7. To approve Premia awarded from July 1940 to April 1941.
8. To consider proposals for lectures during 1941 for recommendation to the Council.
9. To consider the recommendation to be made for the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal.
10. To approve the appointment of Aiyar & Co. as auditors of the accounts of the Institution.
11. Any other business that may be brought forward.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held in the Reading Room of the Institution on Monday 26th May 1941 at 6.00 p.m.

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Present :-

Lieut.-General C.A. Bird, C.B., D.S.O. (Chairman)

Dr. T.E. Gregory, D.Sc.

Group Captain A.L.A. Perry-Keene, O.B.E., R.A.F.

Major C.J.C. Molony (Secretary).

Major D. Bosworth (Asst. Secretary).

The minutes of the meeting held on May 6th 1940 were read and confirmed.

The Auditor's Report for 1940 was considered and passed unanimously.

The Budget for 1941 was adopted unanimously. It was decided to write off the sum of Rs. 560/- in respect of subscriptions due from members who had left India and who were to be struck off the roll of members under Rule VI, 7. The Secretary was directed to write to the commanding officers of members still in India informing them that members who did not pay their arrears before either formally resigning or signifying their desire to continue their membership would be 'posted'.

The Investment of Rs. 15,000/- in 3% Defence Loans was approved.

Approval was given to the write off of Rs. 247/10/- the book value of out of date copies of the Library Catalogue.

The expenditure of Rs. 1,390/3/6 on the production of the Library catalogue (1940) was approved

Premia awarded for contributors to the Journal July 1940 - April 1941 were approved.

Proposals for Lectures during 1941 were considered for recommendation to the Council.

The Secretary stated that owing to the very poor attendance at lectures arranged in New Delhi in the early months of 1941 the opinion of the Executive Committee had been sought by letter, and agreement reached to the arrangement of a programme in Simla during the summer months.

TELEGRAMS "AERONAUTICS".
TELEPHONE No.....

Air Headquarters, India.
NEW DELHI.
18th December, 19 41.

Reference :-
DO/APK/41.

I concur in the write-off of Rs.50/- referred to in your letter 217/C dated 15th December, 1941.

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Secretary,
United Service Institution
of India,
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New Delhi, 18th Dec.1941.

Brigadier C.M.S. Manners,
Secretary, United Service
Institution of India,
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With reference to your Circular No.217/C., dated 15th December 1941, Dr. Gregory approves of the request to write off the sum of Rs.50/- on account of arrears of subscriptions.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

No. 217/C. SIMLA, 15th December 1941.

TARY'S OFFICE.

Dear General

At the executive committee meeting on 26th May 1941, the secretary was directed to write to the Commanding Officers of members whose subscriptions for 1940 were in arrears informing them that members who did not pay would be 'posted'.

The commanding officers of eight members were accordingly written to. Three paid up their arrears : five remain. Their names will be posted in the hall of the Institution and they have been struck off the roll of members. Each has received three reminders, in addition to the letter sent to his commanding officer.

In order to support the accounts, approval is requested to the writing off of Rs. 50/-/- being the sum involved.

Yours sincerely,
C. Markham
Brigadier,
Secretary, United Service Institution of India.

To

Lieut.-General C.A. Bird, C.B., D.S.O.

(Copy to other members of the Executive Committee).

Secretary.
Write off of Rs 50/- approved.
16/12/41 C. A. Bird Lieut.

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Item v : Unanim-

Lieut.-General Bird proposed that the General Staff should be canvassed to see whether lectures delivered under G.S. auspices could be opened to civilian officers of Government, and whether lectures sponsored by the U.S.I.I. could be held under G.S. auspices. Group Captain Perry-Keene asked the meeting to consider whether in view of the wide field covered by G.S. lectures it was worth arranging a U.S.I.I. programme. Secretary was instructed to act on lines of Lt.-General Bird's proposal.

(Note. Secretary duly canvassed General Staff. Civilian officers of Government are authorized to attend G.S. lectures provided that they comply with Security rules. Secretary discussed lecture question with D.M.T. and later with President. Decided at Council Meeting that lectures should be held in abeyance for the time being).

9. It was noted that no recommendations had been received for the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal.

0. The appointment of Messrs. Aiyar & Co. as Auditors of the accounts of the Institution was approved, as was their re-appointment.

1. Other Business.

Some general discussion then ensued upon the following subjects :-

i. Methods of attracting new members.
ii. Increasing the scope and interest of the library.
iii. Relating the scope of the Journal more closely to the progress of the War.
iv. Broadening the facilities offered by the U.S.I.I. to out-station members.
v. The surrender of Rs. 3,000/- of the Government Grant in view of the flourishing state of the Institution.

The following decisions were made :-

Items i & iv : To be discussed at the Council Meeting.

Items ii & iii : Secretary to pursue within the means available and according to circumstance.

Item v : Unanimously rejected. Decided however to consider at a future date the investment of sums accruing from the year's working 1941 in interest-free Government Securities.

C. A. Bird

Lieut.-General,

Chairman, Executive Committee United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Forecast of Receipts and Expenditure for 1941.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
Subscriptions.	Rs. 16,000/-	Office Establishment.	Rs. 7,700/-
Entrance Fee.	" 700/-	Provident Fund (Contributions & Interest).	" 350/-
Interest on Investments.	" 2,400/-	Office Contingencies.	" 500/-
Sale of Periodicals.	" 200/-	Stationery.	" 300/-
Sale of Journals.	" 300/-	Purchase of new books for Library.	" 1,000/-
Advertisements in Journal.	" 400/-	Purchase of Periodicals.	" 450/-
Government Grant-in-Aid.	" 9,000/-	Binding & repairs to books.	" 100/-
		Repairs to Building.	" 300/-
	Rs. 29,000/-	Journal - Printing & Postage.	" 7,000/-
		Premia.	" 3,500/-
		Postage & Telegrams.	" 500/-
		Prize Essay Competition.	" 500/-
		Electricity.	" 150/-
		Exchange on cheques & Bank charges.	" 100/-
		Lectures.	" 600/-
		Insurance, Rent & Taxes.	" 600/-
		Audit Fee.	" 250/-
		Miscellaneous.	" 200/-
		Depreciation.	" 1,300/-
			Rs. 25,400/-
		Estimated surplus.	" 3,600/-
			Rs. 29,000/-

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Council meeting to be held in the Reading Room of the Institution at 6 p.m. on Wednesday 17th September 1941.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd May 1940.
2. To hear the President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1940.
3. To consider the Statement of Accounts and the Auditor's report thereon for 1940.
4. To confirm the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal 1940.
5. To confirm the award made in the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1940.
6. To confirm the subject set for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1941 and to select three gentlemen to judge the essays submitted.
7. To confirm the appointment of Major C.J.C. Molony as secretary vice Major G.T. Wheeler.
8. To elect a president and four members, from among the members of the Council, to form the executive committee for 1941-42.
9. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held in the Reading Room of the Institution on Wednesday 17th September 1941.

Present :-

Lieut.-General T.J. Hutton, C.B., M.C. (President).
Lieut.-General C.A. Bird, C.B., D.S.O.
Brigadier F.I.S. Tuker, O.B.E.
F.H. Puckle, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.
Major C.J.C. Molony (Secretary).
Major D. Bosworth (Asstt: Secretary).

1. The minutes of the Council meeting held on the 22nd May 1940 were read and confirmed.

2. The President's report was read. The following points arising in the report were discussed.

(a) Question of charging entrance fees from Emergency Commissioned Officers. Decided that entrance fees would not be charged during the war. A notice to this effect to be published in the Journal under Secretary's Notes.

(b) It was proposed that it would assist officers in returning borrowed books by post from outstations if a cover was sent with the books. Decided that the secretary should investigate and report to the Executive Committee.

(c) The present difficulties in obtaining suitable articles of general interest for publication in the Journal was discussed. The Council agreed that it may be necessary to approach experts direct and ask them to contribute articles on particular subjects. It was accepted that such contributions would have to be paid for whether published or not. It was decided that the secretary should arrange for such contributions at his discretion.

3. The accounts and auditor's report for 1940 were accepted.

4. The Executive Committee's recommendation that no award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1940 would be made was confirmed.

5. The award made for the Gold Medal Prize Essay competition for 1940 was confirmed.

6. The subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1942 was recommended :-

"In modern warfare the interests and operations of the three services - land, sea, and air - are inseparable. A doctrine of "combined warfare" in the widest sense of these words is necessary. Outline such a doctrine and the organization necessary to implement it, in relation to the problem of Imperial Defence".

The following gentlemen were selected as judges of the essays for 1941 :-

1. Brigadier F.I.S. Tuker, O.B.E. (D.M.T.)
2. Brigadier J.G. Bruce, D.S.O., M.C. (D.D.M.O.)
3. Mr. H.V. Hodson, Reforms Commissioner.

7. The appointment of Major C.J.C. Molony as secretary vice Major G.T. Wheeler was confirmed.

8. The following were elected to form the executive committee for 1941-42 :-

Lieut.-General C.A. Bird, C.B., D.S.O.	(President).
Brigadier F.I.S. Tuker, O.B.E.	(Member).
Dr. T.E. Gregory, D.Sc.	(").
Sir F. Tymms, C.I.E., M.C.	(").
Group Captain A.L.A. Perry-Keene, O.B.E.	(").

9. (a) <u>Lectures.</u>

G.S. Branch to be approached to extend invitations to lectures arranged by that Branch to members of the U.S.I. of India.

(b) <u>Membership.</u>

(i) Ensure that our circulars reach eligible members of Civil Departments including Provincial Governments.

(ii) Send complimentary copies of the Journal to all schools of Instruction - particularly newly formed schools.

(iii) The Editor, Liddell's Weekly to be asked to publish a short article, bringing to notice the existance of the U.S.I. and facilities available in Simla to members.

(c) Library.

(1) A List of new books to be hung in a prominent place in the Library.

(ii) Members to be permitted to borrow journals and magazines from the reading room. A card to be inserted in publication which the member will remove and leave on the table after entering his name and date the publication was borrowed.

A Notice to this effect to be hung in the reading room.

(d) Secretary.

It was proposed by the secretary that the secretary should be a retired officer who could devote the time necessary to edit and develop the Journal. It was agreed that this was desirable during the war and that a retired officer who is in a position to consult G.S. Branch should be approached.

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Lieut.-General,

President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

President's Report for 1940.

1. Finance.

The auditor's report is before the members of the council : the statement of accounts has been issued to all members of the Institution. The auditor's report is satisfactory. Income from subscriptions, and advertisement in journal has declined. Expenditure has been generally reduced, principally on the journal which has, however, maintained a satisfactory standard under prevailing circumstances. As a result the years working shows an income over expenditure of Rs. 6,403-8-10 against Rs. 4,989-13-7 the year before.

The financial position of the Institution remains sound. The balance on capital account stands at Rs. 1,29,205/-. Rs. 15,000/- were invested in 3% Defence Bonds, 1946. Investments, Post Office Cash Certificates, and fixed deposit total Rs. 87,596/-. Investments had however depreciated in value at the end of the year by a net amount of Rs. 1,008/- below cost. Cash and other balances amount to Rs. 10,570/-.

2. Membership.

The result of the war has apparently been that a number of members have resigned prematurely while others have failed to pay their subscriptions while neglecting to resign.

65 ordinary members were enrolled during the year against 74 ordinary members died or resigned. 22 members were struck off for non-payment of subscriptions leaving a net reduction of 31. This is a lower net reduction than the previous year, but only because special measures were taken to extend membership.

A further 53 members have had to be struck off for non-payment of subscription, since the close of the year; although it is possible that some of these may pay up in due course.

On 31st December 1940 the position was :-

Life members	391
Honorary member	1
Ordinary members	1,398
	1,790

The [illegible] last two years is satisfactory

in the circumstances and there are signs that membership will continue at a satisfactory total.

3. Library.

The library has now been fully card indexed on a proper system and the new catalogue has been issued. Purchase of suitable books continues and the popularity of the library is maintained.

83 Books were added during the year; and 540 borrowed.

It is hoped that members will make suggestions for the purchase of volumes likely to be of interest or value.

4. Journal.

As mentioned, the standard of the Journal has been maintained; but more contributions would be welcomed. Entries for the Prize Essay were disappointing in numbers and did not merit the award of the medal.

5. Lectures.

During the year the following lectures were delivered at Simla and were well attended. His Excellency the Viceroy honoured the Institution with his presence at the lecture on the "Air Warfare".

1. "Archaeology" by Mr. H. Waddington.
2. "Air Warfare" by Air Commodore A. Claud Wright, A.F.C.
3. "Naval Warfare" by Commander J. Ryland, R.I.N.
4. "Land Warfare" by Brigadier E.E. Dorman-Smith, M.C.
5. "The theatre of war in Africa and the Middle East" by Lieut.-Colonel C.A. Osborne.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

Statement of Accounts for the year ended
31st December 1940.

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The small reduction during last two years is satisfactory

THE UNITED SERVICE

Balance Sheet as at

		Rs a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Capital and Liabilities			
Capital :			
As at 1st January, 1940	.. ..	1,22,801 14 4	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1940, as per Revenue Account attached	..	6,403 8 10	
			1,29,205 7 2
Liabilities			
Electricity	.. ..	17 4 0	
Audit Fee	.. ..	250 0 0	
Printing	.. ..	790 9 0	
			1,057 13 0
Employees' Provident Fund	.. ..	..	2,556 0 0
Advances for periodicals	.. ..	..	124 12 0
Members and Subscribers at credit	.. ..	627 7 0	
Advertisers at credit	.. ..	80 0 0	
			707 7 0

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December*, 1940

PROPERTY AND ASSETS

			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
BUILDING (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1940	..	..	17,820 1 9	
Less—Depreciation at 1½%	..	..	267 0 0	
				17,553 1 9
LIBRARY BOOKS (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1940	..	..	10,250 13 10	
Add—Additions in the year	..	..	474 8 0	
			10,725 5 10	
Less—Depreciation at—	Rs. a. p.			
5% on Opening Balance	513 0 0			
50% on Additions	237 0 0		750 0 0	
				9,975 5 10
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1940	..	..	3,098 9 6	
Add—Additions in the year	..	..	38 6 9	
			3,137 0 3	
Less—Depreciation at 6%	..	..	188 0 0	
				2,949 0 3
MAGIC LANTERN (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1940	..	..	475 7 8	
Less—Depreciation at 7½%	..	..	36 0 0	
				439 7 8
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1940	..	..	..	3,682 5 8
MEDALS AND TROPHIES (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1940	..	..	..	3,113 8 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS				
Members and subscribers at debit	..	..	..	697 0 0
Carried over Rs.	..	..		38,409 13 5

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

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		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Brought forward ..		..	38,409 13 5
INVESTMENTS			
(Lodged with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody) :			
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures—Face Value Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90		2,700 0 0	
4% Bonds 1960—70—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 103		8,240 0 0	
4% Bonds 1960—70—Loan Face Value Rs. 5,000 at Rs. 107		5,350 0 0	
3½% Bonds 1947—50—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,400 at Rs. 98-8-0		8,274 0 0	
3½% Bonds 1947—50—Loan Face Value Rs. 4,000 at Rs. 106-5-0		4,252 8 0	
4½% Bonds 1955—60—Loan Face Value Rs. 10,000 at Rs. 120		12,000 0 0	
3½% Bonds 1865—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 94-11-0		7,575 0 0	
3% Bonds 1963—65—Loan Face Value Rs. 15,500 at Rs. 98-8-0		15,190 0 0	
5% 1946 Defence Bonds Face Value Rs. 15,000 at par		15,000 0 0	
Interest accrued on above		187 8 0	
Post Office 5-year Cash Certificates—	Rs. a. p.		
(*a*) Face Value ..	2,500 0 0		
Cost ..	2,156 4 0		
Interest accrued ..	281 4 0	2,437 8 0	
(*b*) Face Value ..	1,500 0 0		
Cost ..	1,321 14 0		
Interest accrued ..	67 15 6	1,389 13 6	82,596 5 6
EXPENSES PREPAID—			
Telephone		136 0 0	
Periodicals		307 15 3	443 15 3
LIBRARY CATALOGUES—			
(Old) As at 1st January, 1940		258 14 0	
Less—Sold in the year		11 4 0	247 10 0
(New) 1940 Compilation		1,390 8 6	
Less—Sold in the year		7 8 0	1,383 0 6
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES—			
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd., London		116 1 9	
At Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla:			
In Savings Account		6,556 11 0	
In Current Account		1,310 0 6	
In Savings Account for Employees' Provident Fund		2,556 0 0	
In hand with the Assistant Secretary ..		31 13 3	10,570 10 6
Total ..		..	1,33,651 7 2

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SIMLA:
21*st March*, 1941.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants and Auditors.

President's Report for 1940.

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Revenue Account for the year ended

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
To—		
Establishment	7,699 0 0	
Contributions to Employees' Provident Fund with Interest	339 0 0	
Contingencies	545 0 9	
Printing and Stationery	304 9 6	
Insurance, Rates and Taxes	583 4 0	
Electricity	132 10 0	
Postage and Telegrams	435 11 0	
Exchange and Bank Charges	42 8 8	
Repairs to Buildings	5 8 0	
Audit Fees	250 0 0	
		10,537 3 11
Lectures	..	1,012 6 0
U. S. I. Journal Expenses		
Printing	5,236 10 9	
Premia	3,008 10 8	
Postage and Freight	1,421 1 3 0	
		9,667 2 5
Arrears of Subscriptions written off ..	..	220 0 0
Purchase of Periodicals	..	431 2 6
Essay Prizes	..	250 0 0
Depreciation—		
Building	267 0 0	
Library Books	750 0 0	
Furniture and Fittings	188 0 0	
Magic Lantern	36 0 0	
		1,241 0 0
Surplus—		
Excess of Income over Expenditure ..	..	6,403 8 10
Total		29,502 7 8

On 31st December 1940 the position was :-

Life members	391
Honorary member	1
Ordinary members	1,398
	1,790

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

31st December, 1940

By—				Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a. p.
Government Grant	..	..	..	..			9,000	0 0
Members and Subscriptions	..	..	..	..			15,936	0 0
Entrance Fees	..	..	..	576	0	0		
Life Subscriptions	..	..	..	110	0	0		
							686	0 0
Tactical Schemes	..	..	..	..			2	2 8
Army Lists	..	..	..	..			97	8 0
Sale of Journals	..	..	..	..			287	6 0
Advertisements in Journals			..	463	0	0		
Less—Commission		..	..	8	0	0		
							455	0 0
Interest on Investments		..	..	..			2,824	11 0
Sale of Periodicals		..	..	..			195	12 0
Miscellaneous receipts		..	..	..			18	0 0
Total		..	..				29,502	7 8

SIMLA :
21st March, 1941.

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President's Report for 1940.

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THE UNITED SERVICE

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Cash Account for the year

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
To—		
Balance on 1st January, 1940, with Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., Simla—		
In Current Account		688 3 1
Interest on Investments		262 8 0
Total		950 11 0

Balance Sheet as at

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.

Balance of Fund—		
As at 1st January, 1940	5,725 3 1	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure ..	219 0 0	
		5,944 3 1
Total		5,944 3 1

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

MEMORIAL FUND)

ended 31st December, 1940

By—	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Bank Charges		3 0 0
Medals		40 8 0
Closing Balance—		
In Current Account with Lloyds' Bank Ltd., Simla		907 3 1
Total		950 11 1

31st December, 1940

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

Investments—

(Lodged with Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody).		
3½% Government Loan 1842-43, Face Value Rs. 2,000/- at 58/- (approx.) ..	3,658 0 0	
3½% Government Loan 1865, Face Value Rs. 4,300/- at 58/- (approx.) ..		
3% 1963-65 Loan Face Value Rs. 1,400/- at 98-8-0	1,379 0 0	
		5,037 0 0
Balance at Lloyds' Bank Ltd., Simla, in Current Account		907 3 1
Total		5,944 3 1

The Balance Sheet and Cash Account of the MacGregor Memorial Fund, as above set forth, have been compiled from the books kept and in our opinion, correctly exhibits the affairs of the Fund.

SIMLA :

21st March, 1941.

P. N. S. AIYAR & Co.,

Registered Accountants and Auditors.

in the circumstances and there are signs that membership will continue at a satisfactory total.

3. Library.

The library has now been fully card indexed on a proper system and the new catalogue has been issued. Purchase of suitable books continues and the popularity of the library is maintained.

83 Books were added during the year; and 540 borrowed.

It is hoped that members will make suggestions for the purchase of volumes likely to be of interest or value.

4. Journal.

As mentioned, the standard of the Journal has been maintained; but more contributions would be welcomed. Entries for the Prize Essay were disappointing in numbers and did not merit the award of the medal.

5. Lectures.

During the year the following lectures were delivered at Simla and were well attended. His Excellency the Viceroy honoured the Institution with his presence at the lecture on the "Air Warfare".

1. "Archaeology" by Mr. H. Waddington.
2. "Air Warfare" by Air Commodore A. Claud Wright, A.F.C.
3. "Naval Warfare" by Commander J. Ryland, R.I.N.
4. "Land Warfare" by Brigadier E.E. Dorman-Smith, M.C.
5. "The theatre of war in Africa and the Middle East" by Lieut.-Colonel C.A. Osborne.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee meeting to be held on Monday 11th May 1942 at 6.00 p.m. in the M.G.O's Room South Block Imperial Secretariat NEW DELHI.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the last meeting held on 26th May 1941.

2. To consider the auditor's report for 1941.

3. To consider the budget for 1942.

4. To approve Premia awarded from July 1941 to April 1942.

5. To consider proposals for lectures during 1942 for recommendation to the Council.

6. To consider the recommendation to be made for the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal.

7. To consider the question of granting a Simla allowance for the U.S.I. Establishment.

8. Any other business that may be brought forward.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held in the M.G.O's Room South Block Imperial Secretariat New Delhi on Monday 11th May 1942 at 6.00 p.m.

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Present :-

Lieut.-General C.A. Bird, C.B., D.S.O. (Chairman)
P. Mason, Esq., O.B.E., I.C.S.
Lieut.-Colonel R.E. Holloway, M.B.E., R.E.
Wing Commander H.E. Nowell, R.A.F.
Major D. Bosworth (Asst. Secretary).

1. Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting held on May 26th 1941 were read and confirmed.

2. Auditor's Report.

The auditor's report for 1941 was considered and passed unanimously.

3. Budget.

The budget for 1942 was adopted unanimously. It was decided to write off the sum of Rs. 290/- in respect of subscriptions due from members who had left India and who were to be struck off the roll of members under Rule VI, 7. The Secretary was directed to write to the commanding officers of members still in India informing them that members who did not pay their arrears before either formally resigning or signifying their desire to continue their membership would be 'posted'.

The committee considered the question of investing funds available. It was decided to recommend to the Council that the following investments be made :

(a) Rs. 6,000/- India Defence loans, interest free bonds.

(b) Rs. 4,000/- in 3% Loan 1949-52 (Second Defence Loan).

4. Premia.

Premia awarded for contributors to the Journal July 1941 - April 1942 were approved.

5. Lectures.

Decided that no programme of lectures would be arran[illegible]

Members in Simla/Delhi are disinclined to attend lectures other than those on operational aspects of the war arranged by G.S. Branch. It was agreed, however, that the Institution should be prepared to give financial assistance for lectures arranged by members in outstations. A notice to the effect to appear in the Journal under the Secretary's Notes.

6. MacGregor Medal.

The two recommendations received for the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal were considered. Decided to make the following recommendations to the Council :

(a) The exploration by Captain M.W.H. White of four passes between Northern Chitral and Wakhan merits the award of the medal. The Executive Committee recommends the award of the silver medal for 1941 to Captain White.

(b) The reconnaissance made by Captain J.O.M. Roberts was not up to the standard required to merit the award of the medal. This reconnaissance need not be considered again in subsequent years.

Note. In addition to military formations in India, the following were asked to submit names of officers or other ranks recommended for the award of the medal :

H.Qrs.,	Army in Burma.	No reply.
"	British Troops in Egypt.	" "
"	Malaya Command.	" "
The Political Department,	Govt. of India.	" "
The External Affairs Deptt:	" " "	" "
The Public Works Deptt:	Govt. of India.	Nil report.
The Railway Deptt:,	Govt. of India.	" "

7. Simla Allowance.

The committee approved the grant of Simla allowance as under :-

(a) A monthly allowance with effect from 1st April 1942 to the following members of the U.S.I. establishment:

Librarian	Rs. 35/-
Assistant	Rs. 25/-
Two peons	Rs. 8/- each

(b) The continuance of these allowances to be confirmed annually at the Executive Committee meeting each year.

(c) The winter allowance at present authorised to be discontinued during the period Simla allowance is admissible.

Other business.

(a) The appointment of Captain H.C. Druett as Secretary from 6th May 1942 was approved.

(b) The committee decided that all periodicals, not already available in the G.H.Q. Library, should be sent to that Library for use by members in New Delhi. The periodicals will be sent 14 days after receipt in Simla. The G.H.Q. Library to pass on to the Red Cross when finished with.

(c) Decided that complimentary copies of the Journal should be sent to Headquarters of U.S.A. units in India.

(d) It was agreed that the Institute Building at Simla should be made available for use by Voluntary War Committee etc. to hold meetings or to do voluntary work in connection with the war.

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Subscriptions.	Rs.	13,000
Interest on Investments.	"	2,700
Sale of Journals.	"	200
Advertisements in Journal.	"	400
Government Grant-in-Aid.	"	9,000
	Rs.	25,300

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8. Expenditure for 1942.

EXPENDITURE.

Office Establishment.	Rs.	8,300
Provident Fund (Contributions & Interest).	"	400
Office Contingencies.	"	800
Stationery.	"	200
Purchase of new books for Library.	"	600
Purchase of Periodicals.	"	400
Binding & repairs to books.	"	100
Repairs to Building.	"	200
Journal - Printing & Postage.	"	6,000
Premia.	"	3,000
Postage and Telegrams.	"	400
Printing.	"	100
Prize Essay Competition.	"	500
Electricity.	"	150
Exchance on cheques & Bank charges	"	100
Lectures.	"	200
Insurance, Rent and Taxes.	"	600
Audit Fee.	"	250
Miscellaneous.	"	100
Depreciation.	"	1,200
	Rs.	23,500
Estimated surplus.	"	1,800
	Rs.	**25,300**

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Council meeting to be held in the M.G.O's Room, Imperial Secretariat, New Delhi, at 6.00 p.m. on Friday, May 22,1942.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 17th September 1941.

2. To receive the President's report on the affairs of the Institution during 1941.

3. To consider the Statement of Accounts and the Auditor's report thereon for 1941.

4. To confirm the recommendation of the executive committee regarding the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1941.

5. To confirm the recommendation of the executive committee that no award be made for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1941.

6. To confirm the subject set for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1943 and to select three gentlemen to judge the essays submitted in the 1942 competition, which closes on 30th Jun .

7. To consider a proposal that Mr. C.D. Lettington, Lauries Hotel Agra be accepted as a member of the Institution. Proposed by Captain T. Harvey, G.S. Branch.

8. To confirm the appointments of Secretaries of the Institution as under :-

Brigadier C.M.S. Manners, D.S.O., M.C.	from 1st Nov. 41 to 6th April 1942.
Major D. Bosworth	from 7th April to 5th May 1942.
Captain H.C. Druett	from 6th May 1942.

9. To elect a president and four members, from among the members of the Council, to form the executive committee for 1942-43.

10. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of a Council meeting of the United Service Institution held in the M.G.O's Room, Imperial Secretariat, NEW DELHI, at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 22, 1942.

Present :-

Lieut.-General C.A. Bird, C.B., D.S.O.
Air Marshal Sir R.E.C. Peirse, K.C.B., D.S.O., A.F.C. (Chairman)
C.MacI.G. Ogilvie, Esq., C.S.I., C.B.E., I.C.S.
O.K. Caroe, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.
Sir F.H. Puckle, K.C.I.E., C.S.I., I.C.S.
P. Mason, Esq., C.B.E., I.C.S.
Group Captain H.E. Nowell, R.A.F.
Captain H.C. Druett (Secretary).

Chairman. In the absence of the President and with the concurrence of the Vice-President, Lieut.-General Bird was elected Chairman.

1. Minutes. The minutes of the Council held on September 17, 1941 were read and confirmed.

2. President's Report. The Chairman read the report of the President for 1941, and it was unanimously approved by the Council.

Accounts. The Statement of accounts for 1941 and the report of the auditors thereon was received and approved.

It was also agreed to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the Institution should purchase Rs. 6,000/- India Defence loans, interest free bonds and Rs. 4,000/- in 3% Loan 1949-52 (Second Defence Loan).

MacGregor Memorial Medal. The recommendation of the Executive Committee that the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1941 be awarded to Captain M.W.H. White, M.B.E., for his exploration of four passes between Northern Chitral and Wakhan was agreed to. The suggestion of the Executive Committee that invitations be extended to Overseas Commands to submit entries for the MacGregor Memorial Medal was approved. It was also agreed that reference be made in the Journal of the Institution, drawing attention to the conditions under which this medal is awarded and inviting entries.

Prize Essay 1941. Confirmed the recommendation of the Executive Committee that no award be made for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1941.

6. Prize Essays 1942 & 1943. It was agreed that for the competition for 1942 Major-General J.G. Elliot, D.M.T., be asked to act as one of the judges and that Air Marshal Sir Richard Peirse,K.C.B., D.S.O.,A.F.C. and Admiral Sir H. FitzHerbert, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.M.G., be asked each to nominate an officer as judge. The Council considered the subjects to be set for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1943, entries for which are to be in the hands of the Institution by June 30, 1943. It was decided after discussion that the time for submission of suggested subjects by members of the Council be extended to June 30, 1942 and the Secretary was instructed to communicate with members on the matter.

7. Election of Member. Mr. C.D. Lettington, of Laurie's Hotel Agra was elected a member of the Institution.

8. Secretaries. Covering approval was given to the appointment of Brigadier C.M.S. Manners, D.S.O., M.C., as Secretary from Nov. 1,1941 to April 6, 1942 on which date he resigned. The Chairman said he had conveyed the thanks of the Council to Brigadier Manners for his work on behalf of the Institution. From April 7th to May 5th, 1942 Major D. Bosworth acted as Secretary, and the Council confirmed his interim occupation of the office. The appointment of Captain H.C.Drue as Secretary as from May 6th, 1942 was approved.

9. Executive Committee. The Council elected the following to form the Executive Committee for 1942-43 :-

Lieut.-General C.A. Bird, C.B., D.S.O.	(President)
Colonel Sir C.B. Dashwood-Strettell,K.C.I.E.,C.B.	(Member)
P. Mason, Esq., C.B.E., I.C.S.	(")
Lieut.-Colonel R.E. Holloway, M.B.E., R.E.	(")
Group Captain H.E. Nowell, R.A.F.	(")

10. There being no further business the meeting terminated at 7.15 p.m.

C.A. Bird
Lieut.-General,
Chairman, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

President's Report for 1941.

1. Finance.

The auditor's report is before the members of the Council; the statement of accounts has been issued to all members of the Institution. The Auditor's report is satisfactory. Income from subscriptions and advertisements has declined. Expenditure has been generally reduced, principally on lectures and the Journal which has, however, maintained a satisfactory standard under prevailing circumstances. The result of the years working shows an income over expenditure of Rs. 5,955/- compared with Rs. 6,403/- the year before.

The financial position of the Institution remains sound. The book value of the building and property is assessed at Rs. 36,957/-. Investments and Post Office Cash Certificates total Rs. 80,006/-. Cash balances amount to Rs. 20,277/-. Against these amounts the liabilities are only Rs. 4,175/-.

2. Membership.

1 life and 55 ordinary members were enrolled during the year against 109 members resigned or died. 58 members were struck off for non-payment of subscriptions leaving a net reduction of 111. Special measures were taken to obtain new members by sending circulars to all units training schools and other likely sources.

On 31st December 1941 the position was :-

Life members	384
Honorary member	1
Ordinary members	1,294
	1,679

The small reduction during last two years is satisfactory in the circumstances.

3. Library.

63 new books were purchased for the library and 402 were borrowed by members during the year. A short review of new books added to the library each quarter is published in the Journal.

4. Journal.

Contributions have fallen off considerably.

The Secretary issued personal appeals to a number of likely contributors, but the response was very meagre owing to existing conditions, and the production of the Journal has been a matter of considerable difficulty.

5. Gold Medal Prize Essay 1941.

Only three essays were submitted and none was adjudged to merit the award of the medal, nor of any monetary award.

6. Lectures.

During the year the following lectures were delivered at Delhi :-

1. "After the war? The Political Structure", by Dr. T.E.Gregory, D.Sc.
2. "Dominion Status and Defence", by Mr. F.E. James, C.I.E.
3. "After the war? The Economic Structure", by Dr. T.E.Gregory, D.Sc.

The attendance was extremely poor, and it was clear that members disinclined to attend lectures other than those on operational aspects of the war arranged by the General Staff. In the circumstances no further action was taken to arrange lectures.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

Statement of Accounts for the year ended
31st December, 1941

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CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES			
CAPITAL :			
As at 1st January, 1941		1,29,205 7 2	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1941, as per Revenue Account attached ..		5,955 8 1	
			1,35,160 15 3
LIABILITIES			
Electricity		19 10 0	
Audit Fee		250 0 0	
Printing		21 12 0	
Periodicals		13 5 4	
			304 11 4
Employees' Provident Fund		..	3,190 0 0
Advances for periodicals		..	
Members and Subscribers at credit		600 15 0	
Advertisers at credit		80 0 0	
			680 15 0
Carried over		Rs.	1,39,336 9 7

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31st December, 1941

PROPERTY AND ASSETS

				Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a. p.
BUILDING (BOOK VALUE)								
As at 1st January, 1941	..	..	..	17,553	1	9		
Less—Depreciation	..	..	..	263	0	0		
							17,290	1 9
LIBRARY BOOKS (BOOK VALUE)								
As at 1st January, 1941	..	..	..	9,975	5	10		
Add—Additions in the year	..	..	..	432	4	0		
				10,407	9	10		
Less—Depreciation at—								
5% on Opening Balance	Rs.	a.	p.					
50% on Additions	499	0	0					
	216	0	0	715	0	0		
							9,692	9 10
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS (BOOK VALUE)								
As at 1st January, 1941	..	..	..	2,949	0	3		
Less—Depreciation at 6%	..	..	..	177	0	0		
							2,772	0 3
MAGIC LANTERN (BOOK VALUE)								
As at 1st January, 1941	..	..	..	439	7	8		
Less—Depreciation at 7½%	..	..	..	33	0	0		
							406	7 8
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES (BOOK VALUE)								
As at 1st January, 1941	..	..	..				3,682	5 8
MEDALS AND TROPHIES (BOOK VALUE)								
As at 1st January, 1941	..	..	..				3,113	8 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS								
Members and subscribers at debit	..	..	..				580	0 0
Carried over Rs.	..	..	..				37,537	1 5

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Balance Sheet as at

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Brought forward ..	..			1,39,336	9	7
Total ..	..			1,39,336	9	7

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INVESTMENTS						
(Lodged with Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custody) :						
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures—Face Value Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90				2,700	0 0	
4% Bonds 1960—70—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 103				8,240	0 0	
4% Bonds 1960—70—Loan Face Value Rs. 5,000 at Rs. 107				5,350	0 0	
3½% Bonds 1947—50—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,400 at Rs. 98-8-0				8,274	0 0	
3½% Bonds 1947—50—Loan Face Value Rs. 4,000 at Rs. 106-5-0				4,252	8 0	
4½% Bonds 1955—60—Loan Face Value Rs. 10,000 at Rs. 120				12,000	0 0	
3½% Bonds 1865—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 94-11-0				7,575	0 0	
3% Bonds 1963—65—Loan Face Value Rs. 15,500 at Rs. 98				15,190	0 0	
3% 1946 Defence Bonds Face Value Rs. 15,000 at par				15,000	0 0	
Post Office 5-year Cash Certificates—	Rs.	a.	p.			
Face Value ..	1,500	0	0			
Cost ..	1,321	14	0			
Interest accrued ..	103	2	0	1,425	0 0	80,006 8 0
EXPENSES PREPAID—						
Telephone				136	0 0	
Periodicals				54	5 0	190 5 0
LIBRARY CATALOGUES—						
(New) 1940 Compilation				1,383	0 6	
Less—Sold during the year				57	8 0	1,325 8 6
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES—						
At Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., London				229	10 8	
At Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., Simla :						
In Savings Account				9,682	14 0	
In Current Account				7,072	8 6	
In Savings Account for Employees' Provident Fund				3,190	0 0	
In hand with the Secretary				102	1 6	
						20,277 2 8
Total						1,39,336 9 7

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SIMLA :
23rd March, 1942.

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Registered Accountants and Auditors.

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Revenue Account for the year ended

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Establishment		7,783 0 0
Contributions to Employees' Provident Fund with Interest		370 0 0
Contingencies		853 8 0
Printing and Stationery		178 14 6
Insurance, Rates and Taxes		564 8 0
Electricity		109 14 0
Postage and Telegrams		364 3 6
Exchange and Bank Charges		63 11 8
Repairs to Buildings		114 7 0
Audit Fees		250 0 0
Lectures		87 0 0
U. S. I. Journal Expenses		
Printing	4,665 13 6	
Premia	2,504 5 4	
Postage and Freight	1,295 8 3	
		8,465 11 1
Arrears of Subscriptions written off ..	..	577 0 0
Purchase of Periodicals	..	320 15 8
Old Library Catalogues a/c written off ..	..	247 10 0
Depreciation—		
Building	263 0 0	
Library Books	715 0 0	
Furniture and Fittings	177 0 0	
Magic Lantern	33 0 0	
		1,188 0 0
Surplus—		
Excess of Income over Expenditure		5,955 8 1
Total		27,493 12 6

31st December, 1940

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—			
Government Grant	..	..	9,000 0 0
Members and Subscriptions	..	..	14,521 0 0
Entrance Fees	..	199 0 0	
Life Subscriptions	..	150 0 0	
			349 0 0
Tactical Schemes	..	..	76 0 0
Army Lists	..	..	12 8 0
Sale of Journals	..	..	212 0 0
Advertisements in Journals	..	482 1 0	
Less—Commission	..	6 0 0	
			476 1 0
Interest on Investments	..	..	2,794 2 6
Miscellaneous receipts	..	..	12 1 0
Sale of Periodicals	..	..	41 0 0
Total	..	..	27,493 12 6

SIMLA :
23rd *March*, 1942.

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Cash Account of the year

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
To—		
Balance on 1st January 1941 : with Lloyds' Bank Ltd., Simla		
In Current Account	907 3 1	
Interest on Investments	262 8 0	
Total		1,169 11 1

Balance Sheet as at

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.

Balance of Fund—		
As at 1st January, 1941	5,944 3 1	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure	259 8 0	
		6,203 11 1
Total		6,203 11 1

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

MEMORIAL FUND)

ending 31*st December*, 1941

		Rs a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—			
Bank Charges			3 0 0
Closing Balance—			
In current Account with Lloyds' Bank Ltd., Simla			1,166 11 1
Total			1,169 11 1

31*st December*, 1941

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

Investments—			
(Lodged with Lloyds' Bank, Ltd., Simla, for safe custdoy)			
3½% Government Loan 1842-43 Face Value Rs. 2,000/- @ 58/- (approx). ..	}	3,658 0 0	
3½% Government Loan 1865 Face Value Rs. 4,300/- @ 58/- (Approx.) ..			
3% 1963—65 Loan Face Value Rs. 1,400/- @ 98/8/- ..			
.. ..		1,379 0 0	
			5,037 0 0
Balance at Lloyds' Bank Ltd., Simla, in Current Account			1,166 11 1
Total			6,203 11 1

The Balance Sheet and Cash Account of the MacGregor Memorial Fund, as above set forth, have been compiled from the books kept and in our opinion, correctly exhibits the affairs of he Fund.

SIMLA :

23rd March, 1942.

AIYAR & Co.,

Registered Accountants and Auditors.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee meeting to be held on Friday, December 18, 1942 at 6.00 p.m. in the M.G.O's Room, NEW DELHI.

AGENDA.

1. Minutes of Executive Committee meeting held on May 11,1942.
2. Progress of the Institution.
3. Pay of clerical staff.
4. Defaulting members.
5. Disposal of returned contributors' fee.
6. Winning Essay: 1941-42 Gold Medal Essay.
7. Extension of list of Vice Patrons.
8. Application for Life Membership.
9. Any other business.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India held in New Delhi on Friday, December 18,1942.

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Present :-

Lieut.-General C.A. Bird, C.B., D.S.O. (Chairman)
Colonel Sir C.B. Dashwood-Strettell,K.C.I.E., C.B.
Lieut.-Colonel R.E. Holloway, M.B.E., R.E.
Group Captain H.E. Nowell,O.B.E.,R.A.F. (represented by Captain H.E. Druett (Secretary).)

1. Minutes. Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on May 11,1942 were read for information, it being mentioned that they had already been confirmed.

2. Progress. The Secretary reviewed the progress made in membership during the period June-December, 1942, surveyed the measures being taken to make the Institution better known, and outlined in general the steps being taken to that end.

The Secretary was instructed to arrange for the Librarian to be in attendance on Sundays from 11.45 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. in order to assist any member desirous of obtaining volumes.

3. Pay of Clerical Staff.

It was agreed that the Government compensatory allowance inaugurated on November 1,1942, of Rs. 15/- per mensem be allowed to the Librarian, and Rs. 18/- per mensem to the Assistant, these sums to be disbursed on the 15th of the month following that for which the allowance applies.

4. Arrears. The Secretary was instructed to inquire from Military Secretary's Branch the present addresses of the members in arrears; and if unsuccessful to bring the names before the Council meeting in May for writing off.

5. Contributors' Fee.

It was agreed to donate the Rs. 100/- returned by Major General J.G. Elliot to the Amenities for Troops Fund, and to express the thanks of the Committee to General Elliot for his action.

6. Essay. The winning essay for 1941-42 was awarded to Major General J.G. Smyth, V.C., M.C., (pseudonym "It is strange th a man should miss when his life depends on his aim".) It was decided that the essay was not of the standard to warrant the gr of the Gold Medal, but that a monetary award of Rs. 150/- be gran to the candidate.

It was also decided that Rs. 100/- be awarded to Brigadier J.M. Hunt (pseudonym "Militat in Silvis".).

7. Vice Patron. The Secretary was instructed to inquire from the Military Adviser to Indian State Forces, Major General Sir Frederick Gwatkin, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., on the question of the appointment of Indian Princes as Vice Patrons of the Institution.

8. Life Membership. The Secretary was instructed to express the reg of the Committee in not being able to accede to the request of Lieutenant Colonel F.H. Stevens for a reduced fee for Life Membership of the Institution.

9. There being no further business the meeting terminated.

Confirmed.

Secretary.

Chairman, Executive Committee United Service Institution of India.

Lieut.-General,

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee to be held on Tuesday May 18, 1943 at 6 p.m. in the Imperial Secretariat, NEW DELHI.

AGENDA.

1. Minutes of Executive Committee meeting held on December 18, 1942.
2. Matters arising.
3. Review of progress by Chairman.
4. To Consider auditors Report for 1942.
5. To consider the budget for 1943.
6. To confirm Simla allowance for U.S.I. Establishment.
7. Subject for Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1943/44.
8. Recommendation regarding MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1942.
9. Defaulting members.
10. Indian Princes and Nepal and the Institution.
11. To consider alteration of Rule No. 1, (para 2) of Membership and to make a recommendation regarding application of Mr. J.H. Blackwell, C.B.E., M.C., J.P., of Burma-Shell, Karachi for membership.
12. Recommendation regarding Air Officer Commanding in Chief.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of the United Service Institution of India held in the M.G.O's office, Imperial Secretariat, New Delhi, on May 18, 1943.

Present:-

Colonel Sir Dashwood Strettell,K.C.I.E.,C.B. (President).
Lieut.-General Sir Clarence Bird,K.C.I.E.,C.B.,D.S.O.
Major H.C. Druett (Secretary).

The President agreed to continue the meeting in the absence of Mr. Mason

1. Minutes of the meeting held on December 18, 1942, were read and confirm

2. It was decided not to invest any funds this year, but that if in future years monies are invested the policy of investing in interest free loans should be continued.

3. The Chairman reviewed progress of the Institution, mentioned that membership had increased from 1,679 on December 31, 1941 to 1,824 on December 31, 1942, and to 1,933 on May 1, 1943. Messes subscribing were 108, 232 and 264 on the above-mentioned dates, while clubs had increased from 5 on 31.12.41 to 29 on 1.5.43.

4. The auditors report for 1942 was considered and approved.

5. The budget estimates for 1943, as shown on the appended list, were approved.

6. Continuance of payment of Simla allowance as in the past twelve months was confirmed by the Committee. It was agreed that such confirmation should be obtained each year.

7. The Committee approved that members of the Council be invited to submit subjects for the Gold Medal Essay for 1943/44.

8. <u>MacGregor Memorial Medal.</u> It was recommended to the Council that the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1942 should be awarded as follows :-

   (a) to Subedar Tekbahadur Limbu - N.S.S. Bn., B.F.F.

   (b) to Havildar Dhirta Singh, 4/11 Sikh Regiment, for his fortitude and alertness in obtaining useful information after his escape from the enemy in the Western Desert.

9. It was agreed to write off the five outstanding subscriptions for 1941, i.e

   1. Captain Bhola Nath Dubey, 4th Kashmir Infantry.
   2. Lieut.-Colonel Chiman Singh, 2nd Gwalior Lancers.
   3. Lieut.-Colonel R.H. Culley, 7th Rajputs.
   4. Major G.F. Pope, A.I.R.O.
   5. Lieut.-Colonel J.G.B. Walker, 11th Sikh Regiment.

   and that the Secretary should write them pointing out that they had received the Journals for that year and should therefore pay for them.

   A letter should be written to the remaining members pointing out that their subscriptions for 1942 are in arrears.

10. It was decided to recommend to Council that the following Princes may be invited to become Honorary Members of the Council :-

ARMY.

Lieut.-General H.E.H. the Nizam of Hyderabad.
Lieut.-General H.H. the Maharaja Dhiraja of Kashmir.
Lieut.-Colonel H.H. the Maharaja Jam Saheb of Nawanagar.
Major H.H. the Maharaja Dhiraja of Patiala.
Major H.H. the Raja of Faridkot.

AIR FORCE.

Air Commodore H.H. the Nawab of Bhopal.
Air Commodore H.H. the Maharaja Dhiraja of Jodhpur.

It was agreed that the Council selection of these Princes to become Honorary members of the Council shall be communicated to Captain N. Ramsay, M.B.E., Political Department.

11. The Executive Committee recommended that the Rule No. 11 of membership be amended to read :

"Other gentlemen may become Honorary members if proposed and seconded by a member of the Institution and approved by the Council. Honorary members shall be entitled to, on payment of the subscription of Rs. 10/- per annum, to all the privileges of the Institution, with the exception of voting".

12. The executive Committee recommended to the Council that the Deputy Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief should be appointed Vice-President of the Council, in view of the fact that the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief is frequently on tour.

Dashwood Strettell

Colonel,

President, Executive Committee United Service Institution of India.

Confirmed.
H. Waddle
Maj: Gen.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Forecast of Receipts and Expenditure for 1943.

RECEIPTS.

Subscriptions.	Rs.	17,000	(16,155)
Interest on Investments.	"	3,000	(2,931)
Sale of Journals	"	300	(402)
Advertisements in Journal.	"	500	(607)
Government Grant-in-Aid.	"	9,000	(9,000)
	Rs.	29,800	

EXPENDITURE.

Office Establishment.	Rs.	9,000	(8,482)
Provident Fund (Contributions & Interest).	"	400	(362)
Office Contingencies.	"	1,200	(945)
Printing & Stationery.	"	400	(332)
Purchase of new books for Library.	"	800	(778)
Purchase of Periodicals.	"	500	(454)
Repairs to Building.	"	400	(360)
Journal - Printing etc.	"	6,000	(5,482)
Premia.	"	3,500	(3,024)
Postage & Freight.	"	1,500	(1,293)
Postage and Tlegrams.	"	600	(562)
Prize Essay Competition.	"	500	(250)
Electricity.	"	200	(171)
Exchange on cheques & Bank charges	"	100	(81)
Insurance, Rent & Taxes.	"	600	(574)
Audit Fee.	"	250	(250)
Miscellaneous.	"	150	(4)
Depreciation.	"	1,400	(1,327)
	Rs.	27,400	
Estimated surplus.	"	2,400	
	Rs.	29,800	

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Council meeting to be held in the M.G.O's Room, Imperial Secretariat, New Delhi, at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19, 1943.

AGENDA.

1. To read and confirm minutes of meeting held on May 22, 1942.
2. President's Report on the Affairs of the Institution during 1942.
3. To consider the Statement of accounts and auditors Report for 1942.
4. To confirm the recommendation of the Executive Committee regarding the award of the MacGregor Memorial award for 1942.
5. To record the recommendation of the Executive Committee regarding the award of the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1942.
6. To discuss the selection of suitable subjects for the Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1944.
7. To select three Judges for the 1943 Competition which closes on June 30, 1943.
8. To discuss the recommendation of the Executive Committee in regard to Indian Princes and membership.
9. To discuss application of Mr. J.H. Blackwell, C.B.E., M.C., J.P., of Burma-Shell, Karachi for membership.
10. To consider the recommendation of the Executive Committee in regard to the alteration of Rule No. 1, (para 2) of membership which now reads "Other gentlemen may become members if proposed and seconded by a member of the Institution and approved by the Council."
11. To elect a President and four members to the Executive Committee.
12. Apologies for absence.
13. To consider any other business.

Confirmed.
K.J. Burgess Brig.
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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of a Council meeting of the United Service Institution of India held in the M.G.O's office, Imperial Secretariat, New Delhi, on May 19, 1943.

Present:-

Lieut.-General Sir Clarence Bird, K.C.I.E., C.B., D.S.O. (Chairman)
C.MacI.G. Ogilvie, Esq., C.S.I., C.B.E., I.C.S.
O.K. Caroe, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.
Major-General H. Finnis, C.B., M.C.
Colonel Sir Dashwood Strettell, K.C.I.E., C.B.
Commander H.E. Felser Paine, R.I.N.
Group Captain the Earl of Bandon, D.S.O.
Major H.C. Druett (Secretary).

Lieut.-General Sir Clarence Bird was elected Chairman in the absence of the President.

1. Minutes of the Council meeting on May 22, 1942 were read and confirmed.

2. The President submitted a report on the working of the Institution during the year ended December 31, 1942.

Mr. Caroe offered to assist in interesting officers of the American Forces in India in the work of the Institution, and the Earl of Bandon and Commander Paine offered to pass on to the Secretary the addresses of training units and others who might become subscribing members.

3. The Statement of Accounts and the report of the auditors for 1942 were considered and approved.

4. The Council approved the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the silver MacGregor Memorial Medals for 1942 be awarded as follows :

(a) To Subedar Tekbahadur Limbu, N.S.S. Battalion, Burma F.F., for successfully leading a party of his men through Japanese occupied Burma to the Indian frontier after a march of 600 miles.

(b) To Havildar Dhirta Singh, 4/11 Sikh Regiment, who, after being captured by the enemy in the Middle East, was taken to Benghazi, and after two months in captivity, succeeded in escaping and returning to our lines after a march of 400 miles through the desert, without compass or map. As a result of careful observation of enemy food and ammunition dumps, he was able on his arrival in our lines to reveal much valuable information.

The latter medal carries with it the award of Rs. 100 gratuity.

The Secretary was instructed to submit the recommendations to H.E. the Commander-in-Chief for his approval.

5. The recommendation of the Executive Committee regarding the award of the Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1942/43 was approved. The Gold Medal was not awarded on this occasion, but monetary awards were given to two essayists, Major-General J.G. Smyth, V.C., M.C., and Brigadier J.M. Hunt, for their entries.

6. The Secretary was instructed to approach members of the Council for suitable subjects for the Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1943/44. The subjects were then to be collated and circulated to members in order that the choice of the majority could be set as the subject for 1943/44 competition.

7. It was agreed that the following be invited to act as judges for the 1942/43 Gold Medal Essay Competition :-

O.K. Caroe, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.
Major-General E.T.L. Gurdon, M.C.
Air Vice Marshal J.W. Baker, C.B., M.C., D.F.C.

8. The Executive Committee having considered a proposal that certain Indian Princes be invited to become Honorary members of the Council, had proposed that the following be invited to serve:

Lieut.-General H.E.H. the Nizam of Hyderabad.
Lieut.-General H.H. the Maharaja Dhiraja of Kashmir.
Lieut.-Colonel H.H. the Maharaja Jam Saheb of Nawanagar.
Air Commodore H.H. the Nawab of Bhopal.
Major H.H. the Maharaja Dhiraja of Patiala.
Major H.H. the Raja of Faridkot.
Air Commodore H.H. the Maharaja Dhiraja of Jodhpur.

The Council agreed to the recommendation, and the Secretary was instructed to convey the recommendations to the Political Department.

9. Mr. J.H. Blackwell, C.B.E., M.C., J.P. of Burma Shell, Karachi, was elected a member of the Institution. On the proposition of Lieut.-General Sir C.A. Bird with Mr. C. Ogilvie, seconding.

10. The Council decided to alter para 2 of Rule 1 regarding membership to read as follows:

"Other gentlemen may become Honorary members if proposed and seconded by a member of the Institution and approved by the Council. Honorary members shall be entitled, on payment of the subscription of Rs. 10 per annum, to all the privileges of the Institution, with the exception of voting."

11. It was decided that the following members of Council should comprise the Executive Committee for 1943/44:

Colonel Sir Dashwood Strettell, K.C.I.E., C.B. (President)
Lieut.-General Sir C.A. Bird, K.C.I.E., C.B., D.S.O.
Major-General D.A.L. Wade, O.B.E., M.C.
Commander H.E. Felser Paine, R.I.N.
Group Captain the Earl of Bandon, D.S.O.

12. The Council approved a resolution of thanks to the Secretary for his work during the year.

13. The Secretary reported that the following members had conveyed their apologies for inability to attend the Council meeting:

Lieut.-General E.L. Morris, C.B., C.B.E., M.C. (President).
Air Chief Marshal Sir Richard Peirse, K.C.B., D.S.O., A.F.C.
Vice Admiral J.H. Godfrey, M.C.,
Lieut.-General T.J. Hutton, C.B., M.C.
Major-General D.A.L. Wade, O.B.E., M.C.

14. There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 7.30 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 1942.

1. Finance.

The auditors report is laid before the members of the Council, and the statement of accounts is also before you. A copy has been issued to all members of the Institution. The auditors report certifies that the Balance Sheet has been compiled from the books of the Institution, and correctly exhibits the state of affairs of the Institution.

A gratifying increase is to be noted in the higher income derived from subscriptions, owing to the influx of new members. The total under that heading in 1941 was Rs. 14,521, and in the twelve months under review Rs. 15,855 an increase of Rs. 1,334. Advertisements revenue is higher by Rs. 131, the total for the year being Rs. 607. Sales of Journals, life subscriptions and interest on investments all show an increase, but decreases are recorded under entrance fees, which have now been waived, sales of tactical schems and periodicals. Total income at Rs. 29,197 compared with Rs. 27,493 during 1941.

On the expenditure side higher expenses incurred owing to the war have to be noted. The establishment cost has been increased by Rs. 700, due mainly to the grant of Simla allowance to the staff. Higher printing costs and the large number of journals printed led to an increase of Rs. 816 in that item while the premia awarded to contributors was higher by Rs. 520 and totalled Rs. 3,024, the estimate for the year having been Rs. 3,000. Postage, Essay prizes of Rs. 250, repairs to building, depreciation and one or two other items also showed increases. Arrears of subscription written off showed a decrease of Rs. 307.

To sum up, expenditure amounted to Rs. 24,224, compared with a corresponding total of Rs. 21,538 during the preceding year - a result which, bearing in mind the higher costs during the war, may be considered not unsatisfactory.

The financial position of the Institution's investments is as follows :-

The book value of the building and property is assessed at Rs. 36,407. Investments and Post Office Cash Certificates total Rs. 90,089. Cash balances amount to Rs. 17,616. Against these amounts the liabilities are only Rs. 6,216.

2. Membership.

During the latter half of the year membership and subscriptions from messes and clubs showed a great increase, though there were, of course, a small number of resignations. The increased membership has continued since the beginning of this year, and taking the average reader-circle of ten per copy subscribed by messes and clubs, the total number of readers of the Journal is just over 5,000, compared with 2,800 on December 31, 1941.

The details of membership on the dates indicated were as follows :-

	Dec. 31, 1941	June 30, 1942	Dec. 31, 1942.
Life members	384	386	382
Honorary members	1	1	1
Ordinary members	1,294	1,330	1,441
	1,679	1,717	1,824

To this total must be added 109 enrolled during the period January 1 to May 1, 1943, thus bringing the membership on May 1, 1943 to 1,933.

Officers Messes subscribing on December 31, 1941 totalled 108, on December 31, 1942 the total was 232, and during the past quarter of this year another 32 were added, bringing the present number of Mess subscriptions to 264.

Clubs increased from 6 on December 31, 1941 to [illegible] December 31, 1942, while this year a further 13 clubs [illegible]

subscribe, making a present total of 29.

3. Library.

The library continues to be one of the most complete library of books of a military nature in India. During the year seventy-six new books were purchased and 597 borrowed by members.

Many of the latest books are now in stock, and immediately books are reviewed in the Times Library Supplement, and are likely to appeal to members, an order is issued for their purchase. The Librarian is now in attendance on Sundays, from noon to one o'clock in order to assist members who may desire special volumes. A wide range of periodicals is maintained in the Reading Room, and members appreciate the facility of borrowing them for a period up to three days. Rather fuller and more detailed reviews of books are now included in the Journal, and some members feel that it is an improvement. Each quarter a list of the books purchased is included in the Journal, so that members can be kept informed of the volumes in the library. The catalogue is kept up to date, and the library now comprises 3,400 volumes.

4. Journal.

The standard of the Journal has been maintained, and the supply of articles, many of them of great interest and value, has exceeded the demand. Every effort is made to make the Journal of real help to the young officer class, to keep the literary standard on a high level, and, in general, to provide members with a Journal which can be of permanent value. By the inclusion of well-informed articles, it is hoped that interest in the Journal will continue.

The July number will include a contribution by Sir Evelyn Wrench on the American Army now in India, an article by Brigadier G. Covell, C.I.E., V.H.S., I.M.S., Director of the Malarial Institute in India on Combating Malaria in Burma, and Sir Clutha Mackenzie is writing an article on the Care of blinded Indian Soldiers in India.

5. Gold Medal Prize Essay.

Five entries were received, but only two were considered worthy of monetary rewards. These were sent to Major-General J.G. Smyth, V.C., M.C., and Brigadier J.M. Hunt respectively.

The subject for this year, as will have been seen from the Journal is :-

"Consider the foreign relations of a self-governing Union of India and their bearing on the problem of the defence of the country".

6. General.

Owing to heavy pressure of work Lieut.-General Sir Clarence Bird had to relinquish the Chairmanship of the Executive Committee, and I am most grateful to him for the time and thought he gave in that office. He was succeeded as Chairman by Colonel Sir C.B. Dashwood Strettell.

Two other members of the Executive Committee have had to resign owing to the exigencies of the Service. One, Lieut.-Colonel R.E. Holloway, M.B.E., R.E., was recently transferred from Delhi while the second, Group Captain H.E. Nowell, O.B.E., R.A.F., has now left India. The Council is very grateful to these officers for their services both on the Council and the Executive Committee.

May I take this opportunity of extending a welcome to the new members of the Council. Vice Admiral J.H. Godfrey has accepted our invitation to join the official members of the Council, while [illegible] Major-General D.A.L. Wade, Commander [illegible] and Group Captain the Earl of Bandon have been elected.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

Statement of Accounts for the year ended
31st December, 1942.

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THE UNITED SERVICE

Balance Sheet as at

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
CAPITAL:			
As at 1st January, 1942	.. ..	1,35,160 15 3	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1942, as per revenue account attached	.. ..	4,972 11 5	
			1,40,133 10 8
Employees' Provident Fund	.. ..	..	3,620 0 0
LIABILITIES—			
Electricity	.. ..	37 12 0	
Audit fee	.. ..	250 0 0	
Contingencies	.. ..	6 0 0	
			293 12 0
Members and Subscribers at credit	.. ..	..	2,262 7 0
Advertisers at credit	.. ..	..	40 0 0
Carried over	.. ..	..	1,46,349 13 8

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31st December, 1942

PROPERTY AND ASSETS			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
BUILDINGS (BOOK VALUE)—				
As at 1st January, 1942	..	..	17,290 1 9	
Less—Depreciation at 1½ per cent.		..	258 0 0	
				17,032 1 9
LIBRARY BOOKS (BOOK VALUE)—				
As at 1st January, 1942	..	..	9,692 9 10	
Add—Additions during 1942	..	..	777 8 0	
			10,470 1 10	
Less—Depreciation at—	Rs. a. p.			
5% on opening balance	.. 484 0 0			
5% on additions	.. 389 0 0			
			873 0 0	
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FURNITURE AND FITTINGS (BOOK VALUE)—				
As at 1st January, 1942	..	..	2,772 0 3	
Less—Depreciation at 6 per cent.		..	166 0 0	
				2,606 0 3
MAGIC LANTERN (BOOK VALUE)—				
As at 1st January, 1942	..	..	406 7 8	
Less—Depreciation at 7½ per cent.		..	30 0 0	
				376 7 8
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES (BOOK VALUE)—				
As at 1st January, 1942	..	..	..	3,682 5 8
MEDALS AND TROPHIES (BOOK VALUE)—				
As at 1st January, 1942	..	..	..	3,113 8 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS—				
Members at debit	..	..	620 0 0	
Advertisers at debit	..	..	100 0 0	
				720 0 0
INVESTMENTS—				
(Lodged with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, for safe custody):				
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures Face Value Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90	..	..	2,700 0 0	
4% Bonds 1960-70—Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 103	..	..	8,240 0 0	
4% Bonds 1960-70—Loan Face Value Rs. 5,000 at Rs. 107	..	..	5,350 0 0	
3½% Bonds 1947-50—Loan Face Value Rs. 4,000 at Rs. 106-5	..	..	4,252 8 0	
4½% Bonds 1955-60—Loan Face Value Rs. 10,000 at Rs. 120	..	..	12,000 0 0	
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Balance Sheet as at

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Brought forward		**1,46,349 13 8**
Total		**1,46,349 13 8**

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	Brought forward ..	40,117 8 0	37,127 9 5
INVESTMENTS (*Contd.*)—			
3% Bonds 1963-65—Loan Face Value Rs. 15,500 at Rs. 98		15,190 0 0	
3% 1946 Defence Bonds Face Value Rs. 15,000 at par		15,000 0 0	
3½% Bonds 1947-50 Loan Face Value Rs. 8,400 at Rs. 98-8		8,274 0 0	
3% Bonds 1949-52—Loan Face Value Rs. 4,000 at Rs. 100-12-5 (app.) ..		4,030 15 9	
3-year Govt. of India Interest-Free Defence Bonds—Face Value Rs. 6,000 ..		6,000 0 0	
Post Office Cash Certificates			
	Rs. a. p.		
Face Value	1,500 0 0		
Cost	1,321 14 0		
Interest accrued	154 11 0		
		1,476 9 0	
			90,089 0 9
EXPENSES PREPAID			
Telephone ..		158 10 8	
Periodicals ..		107 8 0	
			266 2 8
LIBRARY CATALOGUES			
(New) 1940 compilation		1,325 8 6	
Less Sold during the year		75 0 0	
			1,250 8 6
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES—			
Balance at Lloyds Bank Ltd., London ..		134 3 2	
Balance at Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla :			
In Savings Account		9,783 14 0	
In Current Account		3,953 0 2	
In Savings Account for Employees' Provident Fund		3,627 0 0	
In hand with the Secretary ..		118 7 0	
			17,616 8 4
Total			1,46,349 13 8

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Revenue Account for the Year Ending

To—			Rs.	a.	p.	Rs. a. p.
Establishment						8,482 13 0
Contribution to Employees' Provident Fund with Interest						
Contingencies						361 8 0
Printing and Stationery						945 5 4
Insurance Rates and Taxes						331 14 0
Electricity						573 14 0
Postage and Telegrams						170 8 0
Exchange and Bank Charges						562 4 10
Repairs to Buildings						81 3 7
Audit fee						359 13 0
Miscellaneous Expenses						260 0 0
						4 6 0
U. S. I. Journal Expenses—						
Printing and Proof-reading			5,482	3	6	
Premia			3,023	10	8	
Postage and Freight			1,293	0	6	
						9,798 14 8
Arrears of Subscription written off						270 0 0
Purchase of Periodicals						454 4 7
Prizes						250 0 0
DEPRECIATION—						
Building						
Library Books			258	0	0	
Furniture and fittings			873	0	0	
Magic Lantern			166	0	0	
			30	0	0	
						1,327 0 0
SURPLUS—						
Excess of Income over Expenditure						4,972 11 5
Total						29,196 8 5

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31st December, 1942

		Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
By—							
Government Grant	.. ..	..			9,000	0	0
Members and Subscriptions	.. ..	..			15,855	0	0
Life subscriptions	.. ..	..			300	0	0
Tactical Schemes	.. ..	..			56	0	0
Army Lists	.. ..	..			21	0	0
Sale of Journals	.. ..	..			402	8	0
Advertisement in Journals	.. ..	613	7	5			
Less—Commission	.. ..	6	0	0			
					607	7	5
Interest on investments	.. ..	..			2,931	9	0
Sale of Periodicals	.. ..	..			23	0	0
Total	.. ..				29,196	8	5

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Cash Account for the year ending

To—	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Balance on 1st January, 1942, with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, in current account ..	1,166	11	1			
Interest on Investments	262	8	0			
Total ..	1,429	3	1			

Balance Sheet as at

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES

Balance of Fund—						
As at 1st January, 1942	6,203	11	1			
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure for 1942	220	8	0			
				6,424	3	1
Total				6,424	3	1

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

MEMORIAL FUND)

31st December, 1942

By—		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Cost of Medal awarded to Major M. W. H. White	.. ..	39 0 0	
Bank Charges	.. ..	3 0 0	
Closing Balance on 31st December, 1942, with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, in current account	.. ..	1,387 3 1	
Total	..	1,429 3 1	

31st December, 1942

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

Investments—		
(Lodged with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, for safe custody) :		
3½% Govt. Loan 1842-43 Face Value Rs. 2,000 at Rs. 58 (approx.)	3,658 0 0	
3½% Govt. Loan 1865 Face Value Rs. 4,300 at Rs. 58 (approx.)		
3% 1963-65 Loan Face Value Rs. 1,400 at Rs. 98	1,379 0 0	
		5,037 0 0
Balance at Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, in current account		1,387 3 1
Total		6,424 3 1

The Balance Sheet and Cash Account of the MacGregor Memorial Fund as above set forth have been compiled from the books kept and, in our opinion, correctly exhibits the affairs of the Fund.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Executive Committee to be held on Thursday May 25, 1944 at 6 p.m. in the Imperial Secretariat, New Delhi.

AGENDA.

1. Minutes of Executive Committee meeting held on May 18, 1943.
2. Review of progress by Chairman.
3. To consider auditors Report for 1943.
4. To consider the budget for 1944.
5. To consider investments in Government loan.
6. To consider allowances for U.S.I. Establishment.
7. Subject for Gold Medal Essay competition for 1944/45.
8. Rule - MacGregor Memorial Medal - Amendment of.
9. Recommendations regarding MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1943.
10. Defaulting members.
11. To consider fee of auditors.
12. To consider pay of Librarian.
13. To consider gratuity for U.S.I. peons.
14. Council of the U.S.I.
15. To consider any other business.

Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India held in New Delhi on Thursday, May 25,1944 at 6 p.m.

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Present:-

Major-General D.A.L. Wade, O.B.E., M.C. (President).
Lieut.-General T.J. Hutton, C.B., M.C.
Commander H.E. Felser Paine, R.I.N.
Major H.C. Druett (Secretary).

Major-General Wade thanked General Hutton for attending, and as other members had intimated their inability to attend, the meeting proceeded.

1. Minutes. Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on May 18, 1943, were read and confirmed.

2. Review of Progress. The President reviewing the progress of the Institution, mentioned that membership had increased from 1,824 on December 31, 1942 to 2,124 on December 31, 1943 and 2,231 on May 1, 1944. Messes subscribing were 232, 310 and 320 on the above-mentioned dates, while Clubs rose from 17 on December 31, 1942 to 30 on December 31, 1943 and thirtyfive on May 1, 1944.

3. Auditors' Report. The auditors report for 1943 was considered and approved.

4. Budget Forecast. The budget forecast for 1944, as per attached list was considered and approved.

5. Investments. It was agreed to invest Rs. 10,000 in Government interest free loan.

6. Allowances - Clerical Staff. Government scales of allowances having been revised, as from April 1, 1944, it was agreed to bring the allowances of the staff into line with the rates paid by Government to Government servants in Simla. The Committee therefore agreed that the scales indicated on Appendix "A" be paid as from April 1, 1944 to U.S.I. Establishment.

7. Gold Medal Essay for 1944/45. The following proposed subjects were discussed, and it was agreed to pass them to the Council for consideration:

General Hutton. "During the present war there have been certain limiting factors to the expansion of the Armed forces of India as regards personnel, equipment and armaments. Consider in relation to any one, or all three Services, in what manner they could in future best meet their peace-time commitments within the probable limitations of post-war finance, and at the same time form a sounder basis for expansion if the need should occur".

General Bird. "Discuss the general lines on which all aspects of education in the post-war army should be dealt with. It should include education of I.C.O's. for both technical or non-technical Corps, and education of Indian Other Ranks, covering pre-enlistment stage and during service".

Air Marshal Garrod. "The main justification for the construction of Singapore as a first-class naval base was that it was essential for the defence of India. In fact this has not proved to be so.

In the light of the findings of the present war assess the importance of Singapore as a British naval base and give your recommendations for the composition and employment of the forces of all three Services, and for the base facilities, that should be provided at Singapore after this war."

General Savory. "Assuming that air transport and air supply have come their own as permanent factors in the tactical and strategic handling of armies, what do you consider should be -

(a) the composition of a Division.

(b) the lay-out for the supply of an Army with food, ammunition, personnel, etc., and the evacuation of wounded and other personnel generally.

(c) what units now employed in an ancillary role could be disbanded, e.g. G.F.T. Coys, Workshop Coys, etc., thus allowing their personnel to be retrained as infantry and put back into the general pool of man-power used in a purely fighting roule."

8. MacGregor Memorial Medal. The Committee recommended that para 5(a) of Rules of the MacGregor Memorial Medal concerning eligibility of the award of the medal should read:

(a) "Officers and other ranks of all forces of the British Commonwealth of Nations while serving with the Indian Establishment or with South East Asia Command during the present War".

9. MacGregor Memorial Medal - Award of. The Executive Committee recommended that a gold MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1943 be awarded posthumously to the late Major-General O.C. Wingate, D.S.O., who, "by his foresight in planning, leadership in the field in face of the enemy and the natural difficulties of the Country traversed, and determination to prove that properly equipped and trained columns could penetrate enemy held jungle clad mountains, cross major rivers, swamps and dense forests, set a new standard in Warfare and reconnaissance.

"His realisation that Wireless allied to Air Supply would enable a column to cross country where its maintenance by normal means of land communication was impossible not only opens up a new method of Warfare, but will make possible in the future scientific reconnaissances that have hitherto been beyond the bounds of possibility".

The Executive Committee also recommended that H.E. the Commander-in-Chief be asked if he would like to recommend an officer of the Wingate expedition for the award of the silver medal.

The Committee also recommended that the silver medal, with Rs. 100 gratuity, be awarded to Lance Naik (now Havildar) Sein U, of the 2nd Bn. The Burma Rifles for his initiative, bravery, and success in carrying out very difficult and dangerous reconnaissance in Burma previous to the entry of the Wingate expedition.

10. Defaulting members. The Secretary was instructed to ask the Military Secretary's Branch for the present addresses, if in India, of seven members whose subscriptions were in arrear from and including 1942. It was agreed that no action be taken in respect of those who had left India or who were prisoners of war. In both those categories it was agreed to write off the subscriptions involved, i.e., Rs. 120.

11. Auditors' Fee. It was agreed to increase the auditors fee to Rs. 300 beginning from the audit to be done in March 1945.

12. Pay - Librarian. It was agreed to increase the basic pay of Miss W. McCormick, Librarian from Rs. 150 p.m. to Rs. 175 as from April 1, 1944, and that the question of annual increment and maximum salary be reconsidered at the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

13. Gratuity - Peons. The recommendation that a sum of money, representing one month's pay for each year of service, be set aside for each peon for presentation on the conclusion of his service was considered.

It was agreed that it would be preferable to establish a fund from which they could be paid a small pension, the amount of which would be governed by the circumstances in which they left the service of the [illegible]

[illegible] to be laid before the Executive Committee at

to become Honorary members of the Council.

The Executive Committee also recommended that the Deputy Air Officer Commanding in India, Air Marshal Sir Guy Garrod, be thanked for his services to the Institution during the past year. As an Air Officer Commanding, India, has now been appointed, it was agreed that he should be invited to become Vice-President of the Council in place of the Deputy A.O.C.

The Executive Committee also decided that certain American officers might also be invited to become Honorary members of the Council and the Secretary was instructed to contact Lieut.-Colonel Wilson, Allies Liaison Officer in General Headquarters for suggested names.

15. Other Business. There being no other business the meeting terminated at 7.30 p.m.

Major-General,

President, Executive Committee United Service Institution of India.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Forecast of Receipts and Expenditure for 1944.

RECEIPTS.			
Subscriptions.	Rs.	22,000	(20,914)
Interest on Investments.	"	3,000	(2,960)
Sale of Catalogues.	"	100	(152)
Sale of Journals.	"	400	(411)
Advertisements in Journal.	"	1,000	(1,116)
Government Grant-in-Aid.	"	9,000	(9,000)
	Rs.	35,500	

EXPENDITURE.			
Office Establishment.	Rs.	9,600	(8,887)
Provident Fund (Contributions and Interest).	"	470	(388)
Office Contingencies.	"	1,300	(1,240)
Printing & Stationery.	"	600	(552)
Purchase of new books for Library.	"	800	(966)
Purchase of Periodicals.	"	600	(660)
Repairs to Building.	"	500	(314)
Journal - Printing etc.	"	9,000	(9,402)
Premia.	"	4,000	(3,974)
Postage & Freight.	"	1,800	(1,802)
Postage and Telegrams.	"	900	(858)
Furniture.	"	100	(27)
Prize Essay Competition.	"	500	(100)
Electricity.	"	250	(233)
Exchange on Cheques & Bank Charges.	"	150	(98)
Insurance, Rent & Taxes.	"	600	(574)
Audit Fee.	"	300	(250)
Miscellaneous.	"	100	(5)
Depreciation.	"	1,400	(1,403)
	Rs.	32,970	
ESTIMATED SURPLUS.	"	2,530	
	Rs.	35,500	

A P P E N D I X "A".

ALLOWANCES FOR U.S.I. ESTABLISHMENT SANCTIONED BY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Vide MINUTE No. 6 OF THE MEETING ON MAY 25, 19[illegible].

Miss M. Macdonald - Librarian. (Single Rates).
Basic Pay - Rs. 175/- p.m.

Mr. K.L. Bedi - Assistant. (Married Rates).
Basic Pay - Rs. 125/- p.m.

Two Peons - Nafru & Ram Partap.
Basic Pay Rs. 28 & Rs. 25/- p.m.

A L L O W A N C E S.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Agenda for Council meeting, to be held in the Committee Room, Imperial Secretariat, New Delhi, on Friday, May 26, 1944 at 6 p.m.

AGENDA.

1. To read minutes of the meeting of the Council held on May 19, 1943.
2. Report of the President for 1943.
3. To consider statement of accounts and auditors' report for 1943.
4. To confirm recommendation of Executive Committee regarding award of Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1942/43.
5. Rule - MacGregor Memorial Medal - Alteration of.
6. To confirm recommendation of the Executive Committee regarding the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1943.
7. To discuss and decide upon subject for Gold Medal Prize Essay competition for 1944/45.
8. To select and appoint three Judges for the 1943/44 Competition, entries for which close on June 30, 1944.
9. To consider applications for honorary membership.
10. Council of the U.S.I.
11. To elect a President and four members of the Council to the Executive Committee for 1944/45.
12. Apologies for absence.
13. To consider any other business.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the United Service Institution of India held in the Committee Room, Imperial Secretariat, New Delhi, on Friday, May 26, 1944 at 6 p.m.

Present:-

Lieut.-General J.G. desR. Swayne, C.B., C.B.E. (President).
Lieut.-General T.J. Hutton, C.B., M.C.
Major-General D.A.L. Wade, C.B.E., M.C.
Commander H.E. Felser Paine, R.I.N.
Major H.C. Druett (Secretary).

1. Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on May 19, 1943 were read and confirmed.

2. The President's report for 1943, appended hereto, was considered.

3. The accounts of the Institution and the auditors' report for 1943, as submitted by the Executive Committee, were read and approved.

4. The Council approved the recommendation of the Executive Committee regarding the Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1943, when the Judges considered the best entry to be that of Lieut.-Colonel R.E. Holloway, M.B.E., R.E.

5. On the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Council approved the following alteration to Rule 5(a) governing the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal; and to make the alteration retrospective to the beginning of 1942:

"Officers and other ranks of all forces of the British Commonwealth of Nations while serving with the Indian Establishment or with South East Asia Command during the Present War".

6. The Council approved the recommendation of the Executive Committee to award a Gold MacGregor Memorial Medal to the late Major-General C.C. Wingate, D.S.O., who "by his foresight in planning, leadership in the field in face of the enemy, and the natural difficulties of the country traversed, and determination to prove that properly equipped and trained columns could penetrate enemy-held jungle-clad mountains, cross major rivers, swamps and dense forests, set a new standard in warfare and reconnaissance.

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Major-General R.A. Savory, C.B., D.S.O., M.C.,
Director of Infantry, G.H.Q. India.

Air Marshal Sir Guy Garrod, K.C.B., O.B.E., M.C., A.F.C.,
Deputy Air Officer Commanding, India.

Major-General F.A.M.B. Jenkins, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C.,
G.O.C., Baluchistan District.

9. Approval was given to the election of Mr. T.E. Brown and Mr. G.M. Rind as honorary members of the Institution.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. G.M. Jadhav that his nominee did not receive the requisite support of the Council, and could not accordingly be elected.

The Secretary was also instructed to advise Mr. V.H. Shah that the Council could not entertain personal applications for membership, but that if he would obtain the signature of two members, preferably senior members, of the fighting Services, his application for membership would be re-considered at the next meeting.

10. The Council adopted the recommendations of the Executive Committee that the following officers be invited to become Honorary members of the Council of the Institution:

Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, Supreme Commander, S.E. Asia Command.
Admiral Sir James Somerville.
Air Chief Marshal Sir Richard Peirse.
General Sir George Giffard.
Lieut.-General Sir Henry Pownall.

The Council also requested that invitations to become Honorary members of the Council should be extended to:

Lieut.-General Joseph W. Stillwell, U.S.A.
Major-General George E. Stratemeyer, U.S.A.
Major-General Dan J. Sultan, U.S.A.
Major-General W.E.R. Covell, U.S.A.
Lt.-General Wheeler, U.S.A.

The Council approved the suggestion of the Executive Committee that the Deputy Air Officer Commanding in India, Air Marshal Sir Guy Garrod, be thanked for his services to the Institution during the past year. As an Air Officer Commanding, India, has now been appointed, it was agreed that he should be invited to become Vice-President of the Council in place of the present Deputy A.O.C., and that an invitation be extended to Air Marshal Sir Guy Garrod to become an Honorary member of the Council of the Institution.

11. It was agreed that the Executive Committee for 1944/45 should be composed of:

Major-General D.A.L. Wade, O.B.E., M.C. (President).
Lieut.-General T.J. Hutton, C.B., M.C.
Lieut.-General Sir Clarence A. Bird, K.C.I.E., C.B., D.S.O.
Commander H.E. Felser Paine, R.I.N.
P. Mason, Esq., O.B.E., I.C.S.

12. Apologies for inability to attend the annual meeting of the Council were read from:

General Bird, General Lewis, General Savory, Sir Charles Ogilvie, Sir Olaf Caroe, Air Marshal Sir Garrod, Group Captain Tomkinson, Mr. Mason and T.Hs. of Kashmir, Nawanagar, Bhopal and Patiala.

13. There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 7.20 p.m.

J.J. Scrymgeour
Lieut.-General,
President, Council of the United Service Institution of India.

Confirmed
C.A. Bird
Aug 2. 1945.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 1943.

1. Membership.

Membership of the Institution reached the record figure of 2,12 at the end of 1943, and a further 107 members have been elected to April 30 of this year. During the year 357 new members were elected, including 11 new life members, and 101 new Messes and Clubs subscribed.

Resignations, mainly due to retirements and departure for England, numbered 52; five members were struck off by order of the Executive Committee last year; and eight Life members and 20 ordinary have died.

By estimating the number of readers of copies subscribed for by Clubs and officers' messes at ten per subscription, the total reader-circle of the Journal can be put at 6,000, compared with just over 5,000 on December 31, 1942.

The details of membership (excluding copies subscribed for by Clubs and Messes) on the dates indicated were:

	December 31, 1942.	December 31, 1943.
Life members.	382	385
Honorary members.	1	2
Ordinary members.	1,441	1,737
	1,824	2,124

Officers' Messes subscribing on December 31, 1942 totalled 302 on December 31, 1943 the total was 310, and during the first four months of this year another 10 were added, bringing the present number of Mess subscriptions to 320.

Club subscriptions totalled 17 on December 31, 1942, while during the year under review a further 13 were added, making the total on December 31, 1943 thirty.

2. Finance.

The auditors' report is laid before members of the Council, and the statement of accounts is also before you. A copy has been issued to all members of the Institution. The auditors report certifies that the Balance Sheet has been compiled from the books of the Institution and correctly exhibits the state of affairs of the Institution.

A gratifying increase is to be noted in the higher income derived from subscriptions, owing to the influx of new members. Altogether the increase under the heading of "Members and Subscriptions" shows an increase of 3,409, bringing the total under that heading to Rs. 19,304. Life subscriptions are higher by Rs. 1,350, and revenue from advertisements in the Journal has increased by Rs. 509. With other items, the income for the year works out at a net increase of Rs. 5,322.

Higher printing costs, the additional number of Journals printed (costing approximately Rs. 2,400), the inclusion of art paper pages, increase in the average number of pages per issue from 115 in 1942 to 140 in 1943), and the introduction of solid setting have all contributed to the increase of Rs. 3,921 under the heading of Journal expenditure. Premia expenses, estimated at Rs. 3,500 at the beginning of year, worked out at Rs. 3,974, owing to increased number of contributors.

Postages, establishment charges, contingencies, depreciation and [illegible] on two other items also show increases; while arrears of subscriptions written off showed a decrease of Rs. 220.

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The book value of the building and property is assessed at Rs. 55,986. Investments total Rs. 88,612. Cash balances on December 31, 1943 amounted to 24,405. Against these are liabilities amounting to Rs. 7,827(Employees' Provident Fund Rs. 4,572; Members and subscribers subscriptions at credit Rs. 2,913; advertisers at credit Rs. 40, and bills unpaid Rs. 302).

3. Library.

The Library continues to be one of the most complete military libraries in India. During the year 118 new books were purchased, and 1,268 borrowed by members.

Many of the latest books are now in stock, and immediately books are reviewed in the "Times Literary Supplement" or other periodicals, and are likely to appeal to members, an order is issued for their purchase. A wide range of periodicals is maintained in the Reading Room, and members avail themselves of the facility of borrowing them for a period up to three days.

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4. Journal.

The standard of the Journal has been maintained, while the number of pages in each issue has been increased and other improvements included. The supply of articles is satisfactory. Every effort is made to make the Journal of real help to the young officer class, to keep the literary standard on a high level, and, in general, to provide members with a Journal of permanent value.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

Statement of Account for the year ended 31st December, 1943.

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THE UNITED SERVICE
Balance Sheet as at

Capital and Liabilities							
				Rs.	a.	p.	Rs. a. p.
Capital:							
As at 1st January, 1943	..	..		1,40,133	10	8	
Add: Excess of income over Expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1943 as per Revenue Account attached.				4,726	8	2	
							1,43,860 2 10
Employees' Provident Fund	..	..	..				4,572 0 0
Liabilities—							
Electricity	..	..		33	1	0	
Periodicals	..	..		19	3	0	
Audit Fee	..	..		250	0	0	
							302 4 0
Members and Subscribers at credit	..	..	..				2,912 8 0
Advertisers at credit	..	..	..				40 0 0
Carried over	..	..					1,51,686 14 10

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December*, 1943.

PROPERTY AND ASSETS			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
BUILDINGS (BOOK VALUE)—				
As at 1st January, 1943	..	..	17,032 1 9	
Less—Depreciation at 1½ per cent.		..	255 8 0	
				16,776 9 9
LIBRARY BOOKS (BOOK VALUE)—				
As at 1st January, 1943	..	..	9,597 1 10	
Add—Additions during 1943	..	..	966 9 0	
			10,563 10 10	
Less—Depreciation—	R. a. p.			
5% on opening balance	.. 480 0 0			
50% on additions	.. 483 0 0			
			963 0 0	
				9,600 10 10
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS (BOOK VALUE)				
As at 1st January, 1943	..	..	2,606 0 3	
Add—Additions during 1943	..	..	27 8 0	
			2,633 8 3	
Less—Sales during 1943	..	..	10 0 0	
			2,623 8 3	
Less—Depreciation at 6 per cent.	..	..	157 0 0	
				2,466 8 3
MAGIC LANTERN (BOOK VALUE)—				
As at 1st January, 1943	..	..	376 7 8	
Less—Depreciation at 7½ per cent.		..	28 0 0	
				348 7 8
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES (BOOK VALUE)—				
As at 1st January, 1943	..	..	..	3,682 5 8
MEDALS AND TROPHIES—				
As at 1st January, 1943	..	..	..	3,113 8 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS—				
Members at Debit	..	..	1,145 14 0	
Advertisers at Debit	..	..	160 0 0	
				1,305 14 0
INVESTMENTS—				
Lodged with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, for safe custody.				
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures Face Value Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90	..	..	2,700 0 0	
4% Bonds 1960-70 Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 103	..	..	8,240 0 0	
4% Bonds 1960-70 Loan Face Value Rs. 5,000 at Rs. 107	..	..	5,350 0 0	
3½% Bonds 1947-50 Loan Face Value Rs. 4,000 at Rs. 106-5-0	..	..	4,252 8 0	
4½% Bonds 1955-60 Loan Face Value Rs. 10,000 at Rs. 120	..	..	12,000 0 0	
3½% Bonds 1865 Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 94-11-0	..	..	7,575 0 0	
3% Bonds 1963-65 Loan Face Value Rs. 15,500 at Rs. 98	..	..	15,190 0 0	
% 1946 Defence Bonds Face Value Rs. 15,000 at par	..	..	15,000 0 0	
Carried over	..	..	70,307 8 0	37,294 0 5

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Balance Sheet as at

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Brought forward		1,51,686 14 10
Total		1,51,686 14 10

SIMLA:
10th April, 1944.

Postages, establishment charges, contingencies, depreciation and one or two other items also show increases; while arrears of subscriptions written off showed a decrease of Rs. 220.

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31st December, 1943.

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
	Brought forward..	70,307 8 0	37,294 0 5
INVESTMENTS (*Contd.*)—			
3½% Bonds 1947-50 Loan Face Value Rs. 8,400 at Rs. 98-8-0		8,274 0 0	
3% Bonds 1949-52 Loan Face Value Rs. 4,000 at Rs. 100-12-5		4,030 15 9	
3-year Government of India Interest Free Defence Bonds		6,000 0 0	88,612 7 9
EXPENSES PREPAID—			
Telephone		181 5 4	
Periodicals		95 14 0	277 3 4
LIBRARY CATALOGUES—			
(New) 1940 Compilation		1,250 8 6	
Less—Sold during 1943		152 8 0	1,098 0 6
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES—			
Balance at Lloyds Bank Ltd., London ..		459 5 2	
Balance at Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla :			
In Current Account		9,425 3 11	
In Savings Account		9,881 14 0	
(Employees Provident Fund Contra) ..		4,562 0 0	
Balance in hand with the Secretary ..		76 11 9	24,405 2 10
Total			1,51,686 14 10

Examined and found correct in accordance with the books.

AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants, Auditors.

THE UNITED SERVICE

Revenue Account for the year ending

To—	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Establishment	..	8,887 0 0
Contribution to Employees Provident Fund with Interest	..	388 9 0
Contingencies	..	1,240 9 4
Printing and Stationery	..	552 10 6
Insurance, Rates and Taxes	..	573 14 0
Electricity	..	233 5 0
Postage and Telegrams	..	857 13 0
Exchange and Bank Charges	..	98 1 0
Repairs to Buildings	..	314 4 0
Audit fee	..	250 0 0
Miscellaneous Expenses	..	4 11 0
U. S. Journal Expenses—		
Printing and Proof reading	9,402 8 6	
Premia	3,974 5 4	
Postage and Freight	1,802 9 9	
		15,179 7 7
Arrears of Subscription written off	..	50 0 0
Purchase of Periodicals	..	660 0 8
Prizes	..	100 0 0
DEPRECIATION—		
Building	255 8 0	
Library Books	963 0 0	
Furniture and Fittings	157 0 0	
Magic Lantern	28 0 0	
		1,403 8 0
SURPLUS—		
Excess of income over expenditure		3,726 8 2
Total		34,520 5 3

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December*, 1943.

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—			
Government Grant	.. ..	..	9,000 0 0
Members and Subscriptions	.. ..	..	19,264 7 0
Life Subscriptions	.. ..	..	1,650 0 0
Tactical Schemes	.. ..	..	117 0 0
Army Lists	.. ..	..	1 0 0
Sale of Journals	.. ..	..	411 0 0
Advertisement in Journals	.. ..	1,152 7 3	
Less—Commission	.. ..	36 0 0	
			1,116 7 3
Interest on Investments	.. ..	..	2,960 7 0
Total	.. ..		34,520 5 3

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Cash Account for the year

To—	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. P.
Balance on 1st January, 1943 with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, in current account	1,387 3 1	
Interest on Investments	262 8 0	
Total ..		1,649 11 1

Balance sheet as at

Capital and Liabilities	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Balance of Fund–		
As at 1st January, 1943	6,424 3 1	
Add—Excess of income over expenditure for 1943	59 9 0	
		6,483 12 1
Total ..		6,433 12 1

Simla:
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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

MEMORIAL FUND)

ending 31*st December*, 1943.

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
By—		
Cost of medals awarded to Subedar Tek Bahadur Limbu and Havildar Dhirta Singh ..	97 7 0	
Cash reward to Havildar Dhirta Singh ..	100 0 0	
Bank commission	5 8 0	
Closing Balance on 31st December, 1943 with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, in current account ..	1,446 12 1	
Total ..	1,649 11 1	

31*st December*, 1943.

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Investments—		
(Lodged with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla for safe custody)		
3½% Government Loan 1942-43 Face Value Rs. 2,000 at Rs. 58 (approx.)	3,658 0 0	
3½% Government Loan 1865 Face Value Rs. 4,300 at Rs. 58 (approx.)		
3% 1963-65 Loan Face Value Rs. 1,400 at Rs. 98	1,379 0 0	
		5,037 0 0
Balance at Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, in current account		1,446 12 1
Total ..		6,483 12 1

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India held in Mr. Philip Mason's room, War Department, G.H.Q., New Delhi at 5 p.m.

AGENDA.

1. Minutes of Executive Committee meeting held on May 25, 1944.
2. Review of progress by Chairman.
3. To consider auditors Report for 1944.
4. To consider the budget for 1945.
5. To consider investments in Government loan.
6. To consider allowances for U.S.I. Establishment.
7. Subject for Gold Medal Essay competition for 1945/46.
8. Recommendations regarding MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1944.
9. Defaulting members.
10. To consider pay of Librarian.
11. To consider gratuity for U.S.I. peons.
12. Council of the U.S.I. for 1945/46.
13. Life Membership.
14. Honorarium to Secretary, U.S.I.
15. To consider any other business.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India held in New Delhi on Saturday, April 29, 1945.

PRESENT: Major-General D.A.L. Wade, O.B.E., M.C. (Chairman)
Lieut.-General Sir T.J. Hutton, K.C.I.E., C.B., M.C.
Philip Mason, Esq., O.B.E., I.C.S.
Major H.C. Druett, (Secretary).

1. MINUTES. Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee held on May 25, 1944 were read, confirmed and signed.

2. PROGRESS. The Chairman, reviewing the progress of the Institution, said that during the year 285 new members joined, and 93 messes and clubs became subscribing members. Retirements and departures for England, deaths and 12 members struck off last year number 182, which brings the net increase in membership to 113. Thus the membership on December 31, 1944 totalled 2237.

Twenty-four life memberships were issued during the year, but six life members died, making a next increase of 18 and bringing the total to 403.

3. AUDITOR'S REPORT. The auditor's report for 1944 was read and approved.

4. BUDGET FOR 1945. The Budget forecast for 1945, as per attached list, was read and approved.

5. INVESTMENTS. It was agreed to invest Rs. 5,000 in Government free-interest loan.

6. ALLOWANCES, CLERICAL STAFF. Revised dearness allowances for Government servants having been sanctioned by the Government of India, the Executive Committee agreed to apply them to the staff of the U.S.I. In the case of the Librarian, Miss McCormick, the increase entitles her to a dearness allowance of Rs. 31 monthly (an increase of Rs. 13), Mr. K.L. Bedi to Rs. 23 (an increase of Rs. 5), and the peons an increase of Rs. 2 each. These revised allowances to take effect from January 1, 1945.

7. ESSAY COMPETITION. Subject to revision at the Council meeting, it was agreed to recommend the following subject, submitted by Lieut.-General Sir Henry Willcox:

"Co-ordinated control in peace and war of the forces of all three Services, British and Dominion, in the Indian Ocean and neighbouring territories.

"The inter-dependence of the three Fighting Services, one upon the other, has been demonstrated time and again during the present war. The success achieved when the three have planned and operated with one object and under a unified direction has been remarkable. This has, however, tended to create a complicated system of command, with large staffs. Bearing in mind the necessity for the three Services to continue to train to operate as one whole, and the danger in peacetime of each retiring into its own watertight compartment, examine the possible ways of evolving from our own war experience a simplified system of command which will ensure the closest inter-service co-ordination for the Commonwealth forces in peace and in war".

8. MACGREGOR MEMORIAL MEDAL. The Secretary reported that no recommendation had been received. Immediately after the 1944 meeting, however, a recommendation had been received from the External Affairs Department in favour of Mr. G.H. Emerson, I.C.S., "who, when Assistant Commissioner, Mansehra, carried out an elaborate survey in the upper part of Indus Kohistan, an area as yet not properly surveyed and one which has seldom visited by a European".

His report had been returned with the suggestion that it be re-submitted in May, 1945. The re-submitted report not having been received, the Secretary was instructed to enquire it, and if possible

10. LIBRARIAN. In view of the fact that the pay of the Librarian had been increased by Rs. 25 in 1944, and that increased dearness allowance for 1945 had been sanctioned, the Committee did not feel disposed to sanction any further increase at the moment.

11. GRATUITY FOR PEONS. It was decided that one month's basic pay for each year of each peon's service should be deposited in a separate Fund, and that in future years one month's basic pay be added to the Fund at the end of each financial year for each peon.

It was agreed that the amount thus standing to the credit of each peon on the termination of his service should be paid to him, provided that (a) a minimum of five years satisfactory service has been rendered, and (b) that his resignation is due to ill-health or other reasons accepted as satisfactory by the Secretary.

The Secretary was authorised to allocate Rs. 516 to this new Fund to the credit of Peon Nafru, who has been service of the Institution for twenty-four years, and Rs. 338 in the case of Peon Ram Partap, who has served the Institution for 17 years. One month's basic pay, plus the bank interest, is to be added to this Fund each year in future in respect of each peon.

12. COUNCIL. The election of members of the Council for 1945/46 resulted in the re-election of Lieut.-General Sir Clarence Bird, K.C.I.E., C.B., D.S.O., Lieut.-General Sir Thomas Hutton, K.C.I.E., C.B., M.C.,; P. Mason, Esq., O.B.E., I.C.S.; Captain H.E. Felser Paine, R.I.N.; Major-General R.A. Savory, C.B., D.S.O., M.C.; Major-General D.A.L. Wade, O.B.E., M.C.

New members elected to the Council were Lieut.-General R.M.M. Lockhart, C.B., C.I.E., M.C.; and Lieut.-General Sir H.B.D. Willcox, K.C.I.E., C.B., D.S.O., M.C.

The runner-up was Major-General J.B. Dalison, O.B.E.

Major-General Wade explained that as he had now been posted away from Delhi or Simla, he felt he should resign from the Council in favour of Major-General Dalison. The Committee expressed their regret at his decision, and decided to place on record their deep appreciation of his services to the Institution.

Major-General J.B. Dalison having secured the next highest number of votes, it was decided to recommend to the annual meeting his election to the Council, vice Major-General Wade.

Ex-officio member. It was decided to recommend to the Council that Mr. C.M. Trivedi, Secretary of the War Department, be invited to serve as an ex-officio member of the Council.

Honorary members. Certain honorary members of the Council having been transferred ex-India, it was decided to recommend to the Council that their successors be invited to become Honorary members of the Council of the Institution. It was accordingly decided that the following officers be invited to become Honorary members of the Council:
Lieut.-General Sir Oliver W.H. Leese, Bart, KCB, CBE, DSO, C.in.C., A.L.F., S.E.A; Air Marshal Sir Keith R. Park, KCB, KBE, MC, DFC, Allied Air C.in.C., Air Command, S.E.A.; Admiral Sir Arthur J. Power, KCB, MVO, C.in.C., East Indies Station, S.E.A.; Lieut.-General F.A.M. Browning, CB, DSO, Chief of the Staff, A.L.F., S.E.A.; Air Marshal L.N. Hollinghurst, CB, CBE, DFC, RAF, Air Marshal Base Air Forces, S.E.A.

It was also decided to recommend to the Council that H.E. Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, Governor of Burma, be invited to join the Council as an honorary member.

13. LIFE MEMBERSHIP. It was decided that members who had paid annual subscriptions for thirty successive years would be allowed thereafter to receive the Journal on payment of Rs. 5 annually. If, however, such members remain in India and desire to avail themselves of the other facilities of membership of the Institution, they will be required to continue to pay the sum of Rs. 10 annually. As subscriptions for 1945 had already been paid, this decision to take effect from January 1, 1946.

14. SECRETARY. The Executive Committee decided to recommend to Council that an honorarium of Rs. 400 be paid to Major H.C. Druett as a mark of their appreciation of his excellent work as secretary and editor of the U.S.I. Journal.

H. Wade Major-General

Chairman, Executive Committee, United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Forecast of Receipts and Expenditure for 1945.

RECEIPTS.		1943	1944
Subscriptions.	Rs. 27,000	(20,914)	(26,564)
Interest on Investments.	" 3,000	(2,960)	(2,938)
Sale of Catalogues.	" 100	(152)	124)
Sale of Journals.	" 400	(411)	(376)
Advertisements in Journal.	" 1,200	(1,116)	(1,271)
Government Grant-in-Aid.	" 9,000	(9,000)	(9,000)
	Rs. 40,700		

EXPENDITURE.		1943	1944
Office Establishment.	Rs. 10,500	(8,887)	(9,767)
Provident Fund (Contributions & Interest)	" 470	(388)	(428)
Office Contingencies.	" 1,500	(1,240)	(1,340)
Printing & Stationery.	" 600	(552)	(633)
Purchase of new books for Library.	" 600	(966)	(573)
Purchase of Periodicals.	" 700	(660)	(700)
Repairs to Building.	" 500	(314)	(571)
Journal - Printing etc.	" 11,000	(9,402)	(11296)
Premia.	" 4,500	(3,974)	(4,650)
Postage & Freight.	" 2,000	(1,802)	(1,944)
Postage and Telegrams.	" 900	(858)	(949)
Furniture.	" 100	(27)	(-)
Prize Essay Competition.	" 500	(100)	(300)
Electricity.	" 250	(233)	(259)
Exchange on Cheques and Bank Charges.	" 100	(98)	(91)
Insurance, Rent & Taxes.	" 600	(574)	(574)
Audit Fee.	" 300	(250)	(300)
Miscellaneous.	" 50	(5)	(4)
Depreciation.	" 1,200	(1,403)	(1,191)
	Rs. 36,370		
ESTIMATED SURPLUS.	" 4,330		
	Rs. 40,700		

ALLOWANCES FOR H.H.S.I. ESTABLISHMENT SANCTIONED BY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE VIDE ITEM NO. 6 OF THE MEETING ON APRIL 28, 1945.

Miss M. McCormick - Librarian. (Single Rates).

Basic Pay - Rs. 175/- p.m.

Mr. K. L. Bedi - Assistant. (Married Rates).

Basic Pay - Rs. 130/- p.m.

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Basic Pay Rs. 30/- & Rs. 27/- p.m.

A L L O W A N C E S.

		Summer	Winter		Summer	Winter		Summer	Winter.
Dearness Allowance.	Rs.	31	31	17½% Basic Pay.	23	23	17½% Basic Pay.	16	16
House Rent Allowance.	"	15	5		26	9		- (FREE QUARTERS)	-
Compensatory Allowance	"	17/8	17/8	10% Basic Pay.	13	13	10% Basic Pay	4	-
Winter Allowance.	"	-	40		-	30		-	8
Concession rates for Travelling.	"	-	-		4	4		4	4
		63/8 p.m.	93/8 p.m.		66 p.m.	79 p.m.		24 p.m. EACH	28 p.m. EACH

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Agenda for Council meeting, to be held in the War Department, Committee Room, G.H.Q., New Delhi at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 2, 1945.

1. To read minutes of the meeting of the Council held on May 26, 1944.
2. Report of the President for 1944.
3. To consider statement of accounts and auditors' report for 1944.
4. To confirm recommendation of Executive Committee regarding award of Gold Medal Prize Essary competition for 1943/44 (Col. J.F.R. Forman).
5. To confirm recommendation of the Executive Committee regarding the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1944.
6. To discuss and decide upon subject for Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1945/46.
7. To select and appoint three judges for 1944/45 competition, entries for which close on June 30, 1945.
8. To elect a Chairman and four members of the Council to the Executive Committee for 1945/46.
9. Composition of Council.
10. Honorarium to Secretary, U.S.I.
11. Life Membership.
12. Apologies for absence.
13. To consider any other business.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the United Service Institution of India held in the Committee Roo, War Department, New Delhi on Wednesday, May 2, 1945 at 6 p.m.

Present:-

Lieut.-General Sir Clarence Bird, KCIE, CB, DSO. (Chairman)
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P. Mason, Esq., O.B.E., I.C.S.
Major-General R.A. Savory, CB, DSO.
Major H.C. Druett (Secretary).

1. Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on May 26, 1944 were read and confirmed.

2. The President's report for 1944, appended hereto, was considered.

3. Accounts of the Institution and the auditor's report for 1944 as submitted by the Executive Committee, were read and approved.

4. The Council approved the recommendation of the Executive Committee regarding the Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1944, when the Judges considered the best entry to be that of Colonel J.F.R. Forman, whose essay was published in the January, 1945 issue of the Journal.

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The interdependence of the three Fighting Services, one upon another, has been demonstrated time and again during the present war. The success achieved when the three have planned and operated with one object and under a unified direction has been remarkable. This has, however, tended to create a complicated system of command with large staffs.

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7. The Council agreed that invitations be sent to the following three officers to act as Judges for the Gold Medal Essay Competition closing on June 30, 1945:

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Air Commodore E.J. Kingston McCloughry, D.S.O., A.F.C., R.A.F.

8. It was agreed that the Executive Committee for 1945/46 should be composed of:

Major-General J.B. Dalison, O.B.E. (Chairman).
Lieut.-General Sir T.J. Hutton, KCIE, CB, MC.
P. Mason, Esq., OBE, ICS.
Captain H.E. Nelson Bourne, R.I.N.
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9. The Council received with regret General Wade's decision to retire from the Council, as he was now posted away from Simla or Delhi, and desired to place on record their thanks to him for his services as Chairman of the Executive Committee and a member of the Council. As Major-General J.B. Dalison had secured the next highest number of votes at the recent election, the Council instructed the Secretary to inform General Dalison that he had been elected to the Council.

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13. There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7.10 p.m.

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21 May 46

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 1944.

1. MEMBERSHIP.

Membership continues to increase, and after deducting resignations, practically all owing to retirements and departure for U.K., and deaths, the net membership on December 31, 1944 numbered 2,237, while a further 84 members have been elected during the first four months of this year. Altogether some 285 new members were elected in 1944.

Present net membership is as follows:

	December, 31, 1943	December 31, 1944.
Life members.	385	403
Honorary members.	2	5
Ordinary members.	1,737	1,829
	2,124	2,237

Messes subscribing on December 31, 1944 totalled 389. Another ten have been added during this year. Subscribing Clubs number 37.

Taking Clubs and Messes subscriptions on a basis of ten readers per copy and adding one reader for each membership copy, the total reader cicle of the Journal is now roughly 7,000.

In addition, one copy of each issue is sent to each officers' Leave Hostel for the Reading Room; 25 copies are sent to the India Office for placing on outward transports to India; and occasional copies have been sent to Naval and Air Force messes, and American messes.

2. FINANCE.

The auditors' report is laid before members of the Council, and the statement of accounts is also before you. A copy has been issued to all members of the Institution. The auditors report certifies that the Balance Sheet has been compiled from the books of the Institution, and correctly exhibits the state of affairs of the Institution.

A gratifying increase is to be noted in the higher income derived from subscriptions, owing to the influx of new members. Altogether the increase under the heading of "Members and Subscriptions" shows an increase of Rs. 3,700, bringing the total under that heading to Rs. 22,964. Life subscriptions are higher by Rs. 1,950, and revenue from advertisements in the Journal has increased by Rs. 155. With other items, the income for the year works out at a net increase of Rs. 5,740.

Income during the year amounted to Rs. 40,259, compared with Rs. 34,420 during 1943. Expenditure also showed an increase from Rs. 30,793 in 1943 to Rs. 35,117. Excess of income over expenditure for 1944 worked out at Rs. 5,141, against Rs. 3,726 in 1943.

The higher income was largely due to increased membership(Rs 3700) and Life membership (Rs. 1,950) fees. On the expenditure side increases occurred under most headings, but chiefly under printing of the Journal. Average number of pages per issue was 160 (against 140 in 1943), while the average print number for each issue was 2,600(compared with 2,625 in 1943), both of which factors naturally tend to increased costs of production.

Liabilities include Rs. 9,472 made up of Employees' Provident Fund, Rs. 5,085; Members & Subscribers subscriptions at credit, Rs. 4,018; Advertisers at credit, Rs. 40; and bills unpaid Rs. 329.

3. LIBRARY.

The Library continues to be one of the most complete military libraries in India. During the year 83 new books were purchased, and 1,350 borrowed by members.

Many of the latest books are now in stock, and immediately books are reviewed in the "Times Literary Supplement" or other periodicals, and are likely to appeal to members, an order is issued for their purchase. A wide range of periodicals is maintained in the Reading Room, and members avail themselves of the facility of borrowing them for a period up to three days.

The Library now contains upwards of 4,000 volumes.

4. JOURNAL.

The standard of the Journal has been maintained, while the number of pages in each issue has been increased and other improvements included. The supply of articles is satisfactory. Every effort is made to make the Journal of real help to the young officer class, to keep the literary standard on a high level, and, in general, to provide members with a Journal of permanent value.

Any assistance which members of the Council could give in making the Journal more widely-known would be most welcome. Many more officers' messes could easily add the Journal to the periodicals already available in their Mess, and if the opportunity presents itself any assistance in drawing attention to this fact would be gratefully acknowledged.

5. GOLD MEDAL PRIZE ESSAY.

For this competition, which closed on June 30 last, only three entries were received. It was decided by the Judges not to award the medal on this occasion, but an honorarium of Rs. 300 was awarded to Colonel J.F.R. Forman for his entry. The essay appeared in the January 1945 issue of the Journal.

The subject for 1945/46 will be discussed later at this meeting.

6. MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

We are most grateful to Major General D.A.L. Wade and members of the Executive Committee for their work during the year and also to Major General H.V. Lewis on the Council. Group Captain E.L. Tomkinson, R.A.F., has had to retire from the Council owing to his transfer from Delhi.

I would like to extend a welcome to our newly elected members Lieut.-General Sir H.B.D. Willcox and Lieut.-General R.M.M. Lockhart.

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Statement of Account for the year ended 31st December, 1944.

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Balance Sheet as at

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
CAPITAL—				
As at 1st January, 1944	..	..	1,43,860 2 10	
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1944, as per Revenue Account attached			5,141 15 11	
				1,49,002 2 9
Employees' Provident Fund	..	..	..	5,085 0 0
LIABILITIES—				
Electricity	—	—	.. 28 15 0	
Audit fee		—	.. 300 0 0	
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Members and Subscribers at Credit			.. ..	4,048 0 0
Advertisers at Credit	..	..	..	40 0 0
Carried over	..			1,58,474 1 9

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF IN

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31*st December*, 1944.

PROPERTY AND ASSETS

BUILDINGS (BOOK VALUE)—								
As at 1st January, 1944	..	..			16,776	9	9	
Less— Depreciation at 1½ per cent.		..			251	9	9	
								16,525 0 0
LIBRARY BOOKS (BOOK VALUE)—								
As at 1st January, 1944	..	..			9,600	10	10	
Add—Additions during 1944	..	..			573	3	0	
					10,173	13	10	
Less—Sales during 1944	..	..			25	8	0	
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5 per cent. on opening balance	..		478	13 10				
50 per cent. on addition	..		286	8 0				
					765	5	10	
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FURNITURE AND FITTINGS (BOOK VALUE)—								
As at 1st January, 1944	..	..			2,466	8	3	
Less— Depreciation at 6 per cent.	..	..			147	8	3	
								2,319 0 0
MAGIC LANTERN (BOOK VALUE)—								
As at 1st January, 1944	..	..			348	7	8	
Less—Depreciation	..	..			26	7	8	
								322 0 0
PICTURES AND SOULPTURES (BOOK VALUE)—								
As at 1st January, 1944	..	..	..					3,682 5 8
MEDALS AND TROPHIES—								
As at 1st January, 1944	..	..	..					3,113 8 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS—								
Members at Debit	..	..			1,071	9	0	
Advertiser at Debit	..	..			80	0	0	
								1,151 9 0
INVESTMENTS—								
Lodged with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla for safe custody—								
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures, Face Value Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90	..	..			2,700	0	0	
4% Bonds 1960—70, Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 103	..	..			8,240	0	0	
4% Bonds 1960—70, Loan Face Value Rs. 5,000 at Rs. 107	..	..			5,350	0	0	
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4½% Bonds 1955—60 Loan Face Value Rs. 10,000 at Rs. 120 ..	..	12,000 0 0	
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3% Bonds 1963—65 Loan Face Value Rs. 15,500 at Rs. 98 ..	..	15,190 0 0	
3% 1946 Defence Bonds Face Value Rs. 15,000 at par ..	..	15,000 0 0	
3½% Bonds 1947—50 Loan Face Value Rs. 8,400 at Rs. 98-8-0 ..	..	8,274 0 0	
3% Bonds 1949—52 Loan Face Value Rs. 4,000 at Rs. 100-12-5 ..	..	4,030 15 9	
3 Years Government of India Interest Free Defence Bonds ..	..	16,000 0 0	
			98,612 7 9
EXPENSES PREPAID-			
Telephone ..	..	181 5 4	
Periodicals ..	..	318 0 0	
			499 5 4
LIBRARY CATALOGUES—			
As at 1st January, 1944 ..	..	1,098 0 6	
Less— Sold During, 1944 ..	..	124 8 0	
			973 8 6
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES—			
Balance at Lloyds Bank Ltd., London	..	678 5 10	
Balance at Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla—			
In Current Account ..	..	6,065 5 2	
In Savings Account ..	..	9,980 14 0	
In Savings Account .. (Employees' Provident Fund Contra)	..	5,075 0 0	
Balance in hand with the Secretary	..	92 12 3	
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THE UNITED SERVICE

Revenue Account for the year ending

		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
To			
Establishment	.. .. ..		9,766 8 0
Contribution to Employees' Provident Fund with Interest			428 6 0
Contingencies			1,340 4 0
Printing and Stationery	.. ..		633 1 0
Insurance Rates and Taxes	.. .. ..		573 14 0
Electricity	.. .. ..		259 2 0
Postage and Telegrams	.. .. ..		949 3 6
Exchange and Bank Commission	.. ..		90 12 6
Repairs to Buildings	.. ..		570 10 0
Audit fee	.. .. ..		300 0 0
Miscellaneous Expenses	.. .. ..		4 7 3
U. S. Journal Expenses—			
Printing and Proof reading	.. ..	11,296 7 0	
Premia	.. ..	4,650 5 4	
Postage and Freight	.. ..	1,944 0 0	
			17,890 12 4
Arrears of Subscription written off	.. ..		120 0 0
Purchase of Periodicals	.. .. ..		699 8 0
Prizes	.. .. ..		300 0 0
DEPRECIATION—			
Building	.. ..	251 9 9	
Library Book	.. ..	764 5 10	
Furniture and Fittings	.. ..	147 8 3	
Magic Lantern	.. ..	26 7 8	
			1,190 15 6
SURPLUS—			
Excess of Income over Expenditure	.. ..		5,141 15 11
Total	.. ..		40,259 8 0

SIMLA:
5th April, 1945.

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INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

31st December, 1944.

By—	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Government Grant	..	9,000 0 0
Members' Subscriptions	..	22,963 9 0
Life Subscriptions	..	3,600 0 0
Tactical Schemes	..	70 0 0
Army Lists	..	40 0 0
Sale of Journals	..	376 8 0
Advertisement in Journals	..	
Less— Commission	1,323 7 0	
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Interest on Investments	..	2,938 0 0
Total		40,259 8 0

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The financial position of the Institution at the end of the year is shown in the following statements:

THE UNITED SERVICE

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Cash Account for the year

To—	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Balance on 1st January, 1944 with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, in current account		1,446 12 1
Interest on Investments		262 8 0
Total		1,709 4 1

Balance Sheet as at

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Balance of Fund—		
As at 1st January, 1944		6,483 12 1
Less—Excess of Expenditure over Income for 1944		326 2 0
Total		6,157 10 1

SIMLA:
5th April, 1945.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.

MEMORIAL FUND)

ending 31st December, 1944.

By—	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Cost of medals awarded to Major-General O. E. Wingate, D.S.O., and Havildar Sein U of 2nd Burma Rifles		485 10 0
Cash reward to Havildar Sein U of 2nd Burma Rifles		100 0 0
Bank Commission		3 0 0
Closing Balance on 31st December, 1944, with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, in current account..		1,120 10 1
Total ..	..	1,709 4 1

31st December, 1944.

PROPERTY AND ASSETS	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. P.
Investments— (Lodged with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla for safe custody.)		
3½% Government Loan 1842-43 Face Valu Rs. 2,000 at Rs. 58 3½% Government Loan 1865 Face Value Rs. 4,300 at Rs. 58 (approx).	.. 3,658 0 0	
3% 1963—65 Loan Face Value Rs. 1,400 at Rs. 98	1,379 0 0	
		5,037 0 0
Balance at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla, in Current Account		1,120 10 1
Total ..	..	6,157 10 1

Examined and found correct in accordance with the books.

AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants, Auditors.

1. Liabilities include Rs. 9,473 made up of Employees' Provident Fund, Rs. 5,085; Members & Subscribers subscriptions at credit, Rs. 4,018; Advertisers at credit, Rs. 40; and bills unpaid Rs. 329.

3. LIBRARY.

The Library continues to be one of the most complete military libraries in India. During the year 83 new books were purchased, and 1,350 borrowed by members.

Many of the latest books are now in stock, and immediately books are reviewed in the "Times Literary Supplement" or other periodicals, and are likely to appeal to members, an order is issued for their purchase. A wide range of periodicals is maintained in the Reading Room, and members avail themselves of the facility of borrowing them for a period up to three days.

The Library now contains upwards of 4,000 volumes.

4. JOURNAL.

The standard of the Journal has been maintained, while the number of pages in each issue has been increased and other improvements included. The supply of articles is satisfactory. Every effort is made to make the Journal of real help to the young officer class, to keep the literary standard on a high level, and, in general, to provide members with a Journal of permanent value.

Any assistance which members of the Council could give in making the Journal more widely-known would be most welcome. Many more officers' messes could easily add the Journal to the periodicals already available in their Mess, and if the opportunity presents itself any assistance in drawing attention to this fact would be gratefully acknowledged.

5. GOLD MEDAL PRIZE ESSAY.

For this competition, which closed on June 30 last, only three entries were received. It was decided by the Judges not to award the medal on this occasion, but an honorarium of Rs. 300 was awarded to Colonel J.F.R. Forman for his entry. The essay appeared in the January 1945 issue of the Journal.

The subject for 1945/46 will be discussed later at this meeting.

6. MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

We are most grateful to Major General D.A.L. Wade and members of the Executive Committee for their work during the year and also to Major General H.V. Lewis on the Council. Group Captain E.L. Tomkinson, R.A.F., has had to retire from the Council owing to his transfer from Delhi.

I would like to extend a welcome to our newly elected members Lieut.-General Sir H.B.D. Willcox and Lieut.-General R.M.M. Lockhart.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF IN.

...utes of a Special Council Meeting of the United Service ...stitution of India held in War Department Committee Room, G.H.Q. ... December 6, 1945.

...ESENT:

...eut.-General Sir John G.desR. Swayne, K.C.B., C.B.E. (President)
...r Vice Marshal M. Thomas, C.B.E., D.F.C., A.F.C. (Vice President)
...eut.-General Sir C.A. Bird, K.C.I.E., C.B., D.S.O.
...hilip Mason, Esq., O.B.E., I.C.S.
...ieut.-Colonel R.R. Burnett, C.I.E., O.B.E.
...C. Gentry, Esq., A.R.I.B.A., by invitation.
...ieut.-Colonel H.C. Druett, Secretary.

... Letter from His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, dated ...ugust 7, 1945 was read.

... The Council agreed that, if it is practicable, it is desirable ...hat the H.Q. of the Institution be transferred from Simla to Delhi.

...3. In view of the financial problem which has to be faced, the ...Council felt that, in the initial phase, the building should be confi... to certain essential rooms. The design of the building should be drawn ...up with a view to incorporating additional accommodation at a later da...

... The essential requirements in the first stage should be:

(1) Lecture hall, which would contain trophies, etc.

(2) Ante room to Lecture Hall, which would be in the nature of a lounge.

(3) One fair sized room, and two smaller "study" rooms, as Reading Rooms. Each of these would also accommodate the library.

(4) Secretary's Office.

(5) Clerk's Office.

(6) Clerk's residential quarters.

(7) Quarters for menial staff.

As Priority 2, it was agreed to add to the above at a later date:

A tea room.

Secretary's flat.

As Priority 3, a lunch room to be added.

As Priority 4, accommodation for visiting officers.

... The Council discussed the possible site of the building. ...r. E.C. Gentry, Consulting Architect to the Government of India, ...xplained that an area along Lodi Road was being reserved for ...emi-official organisations such as the United Service Institution ...ndia, and that as at a later date the Nursery Gardens would be ... transferred elsewhere, a site on that spot might be considered. ... members, however, felt that a more central position w... desirab... that until a decision had been arrived at as regards ... of G.H.Q., it was not possible to suggest any site. ...r. Gentry mentioned that a ...

missioner, Delhi, to acquaint him with the fact that the ncil wished to transfer its headquarters to Delhi and asking him let us know of any central site which might become available.

5. Finance. It was decided that

(a) Military Finance be sounded on the suggestion that Government give the Institution a loan-in-aid of Rupees one lakh.

(b) That an inquiry be made as to whether the Viceroy's War Purposes Fund could present one lakh to the Institution to assist in its establishment in New Delhi.

(c) That the Political Department be approached privately on the ~~the~~ question of asking a Ruling Prince to donate a further lakh of Rupees.

(d) That members might then be asked to subscribe the balance of the sum required, which, very roughly, might total Rs. 50,000.

6. Apologies for absence were received from:

Lieut.-General Sir T.J. Hutton, K.C.I.E., C.B., M.C.
Major-General J.B. Dalison, O.B.E.
Captain H.E. Felser Paine, R.I.N.
Major-General D.A.L. Wade, O.B.E., M.C.
Lieut.-General Sir H.B.D. Willcox, K.C.I.E., C.B., D.S.O., M.C.
Ram Chandra, Esq., C.I.E., M.B.E., I.C.S.
Sir C.M. Trivedi, C.S.I., C.I.E., O.B.E., I.C.S.
Major-General R.A. Savory, C.B., D.S.O., M.C.

SIDENT, COUNCIL OF THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Agenda for meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Ser
Institution of India, held in General Savory's room, General
Headquarters, India, New Delhi at 5.30 p.m. on May 16, 1946.

1. To read the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committe
held on April 28, 1945.

2. Report of progress of Institution during 1945.

3. To consider auditors' report for 1945.

4. To consider Budget for 1946.

5. To consider minutes of Special Council meeting regarding
proposed transfer of headquarters of the Institution from Si
to Delhi.

6. To consider proposal from General Sir Clarence Bird that "the
United Service Institution might consider pooling its resourc
with the Indian Institute of International Affairs which is
awaiting an opportunity to build its headquarters in New Delhi

7. To consider letter from Colonel Murphy regarding the use of
badge on front cover of Journal.

8. To consider the continuance of the words in the rules "for
duration of the War" in connection with the waiving of the
entrance fee.

9. To consider subject for Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1946.

9a. To consider recommendations for the MacGregor Memorial Medal.

10. To consider alteration to Rules for MacGregor Memorial Medal.

11. Defaulting members.

12. Results of elections to Council, March, 1946.

13. To confirm increase of secretary's salary to Rs. 250 p.m., the
increase to take effect from September, 1945, and to be effec
only in the case of Lieut.-Colonel H.C. Druett.

14. To consider pay of Librarian.

15. Apologies for absence.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

...utes of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United ...vice Institution of India held in General Headquarters, New Delhi, ...on Thursday, May 16, 1946 at 5.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Lieut.-General R.A. Savory, C.B., D.S.O., M.C. (Chairman).
General A.R. Godwin-Austen, C.B., O.B.E., M.C.
Lieut.-Colonel H.C. Druett. (Secretary).

1. MINUTES. Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee held on ...pril 28, 1945 were read and confirmed.

2. PROGRESS. The Secretary reported that during the year 206 new ...embers had joined the Institution, and 30 more Messes became subscribing members. Retirements and departure for England, deaths, ...numbered 157, bringing the net increase in membership to 49. Membership on December 31, 1945 was 2,286, and subscribing members in the form of Clubs and Messes totalled 382. Twentyeight life memberships were issued, but six life members died, making a net increase of 22 and bringing the total of life members to 425.

3. AUDITOR'S REPORT. The Auditors' report for 1945 was inspected and approved. The Secretary was instructed to go through the list of ...periodicals to which the Institution subscribes, and (in view of the fact that the Reading Room is used to such a limited extent), to cancel the ...subscriptions of the "society" class of journals. He was also instructed ...to substitute the air mail edition for the ordinary edition of "The ...Times".

4. BUDGET FOR 1946. The Committee considered and approved the draft ...get for 1946. The Secretary reported that a small leaflet had been ...epared and printed, and that copies would be sent to the I.M.A. ...order to interest cadets in the Institution, and to persuade them ...become members when they were commissioned. The Chairman suggested ...so that the Secretary should write to the Director of Selection of ...rsonnel Directorate, asking if he would cooperate by supplying the names and addresses of recipients of short service commissions, to whom the Secretary would write individual letters telling them that they would now have the privilege also of joining the Institution.

5. TRANSFER FROM SIMLA TO DELHI. Minutes of a special meeting of the Council held in Delhi on December 6, 1945 were laid before the Executive Committee for information. As no decision had yet been reached concerning the future siting of G.H.Q. it was agreed that no further action be taken.

6. INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. A letter from General ...Clarence Bird was considered, in which he suggested that the ...I.I.A. was awaiting an opportunity to build its headquarters in New Delhi, and that their Secretary had mooted the idea of a possible ...ooling of resources when the decision to transfer the U.S.I. to Delhi ...as taken. The Executive Committee felt that while the Institution was ...rateful to General Bird for bringing the matter forward, it was only ...ssible at this stage to bear the suggestion in mind, and to consider ... more closely when the situation in regard to the transfer became ...re clear.

7. BADGE ON JOURNAL COVER. Lieut.Colonel C.C.R. Murphy, a former ...ecretary of the U.S.I. now retired in England, having suggested that ...he Council should apply to the College of Arms for a grant of arms, ...hich would cost pounds 76 & 10 shillings for use on the cover of the ...ournal in place of the Inter-Services Badge, the Executive Committee ...elt that the Inter-Service badge was an attractive addition to the ...over and as that as H.E. The Commander in Chief had selected this design ...an Inter-Services badge, and had specifically suggested ... Institution to use it on the cover of the Institution's ... desirable that the Institution should continue to do so. ...tary reported that he had had a drawing made of the badge ...ly appeared on the cover, and would later have it coloured ... the coloured version to the Committee for their approval. ...the Secretary was instructed to write to Colonel ...

8. RULES. It was agreed to retain the words "for the duration of War" in the Institution rules as published in the Journal, as (a) the official date for the termination of the war had not been announced, and (b) when it is announced the question of the waiving of the entre fee would again be considered.

9. ESSAY COMPETITION. The Executive Committee agreed to recommend to the Council the following subject for the 1946/47 Essay Competitic

"MAN MANAGEMENT".

9a. MACGREGOR MEMORIAL MEDAL. The Executive Committee decided to suppe the recommendation of the Director of Surveys, India, that Major P.A. Thoma I.E., be awarded the MacGregor Memorial Medal for his work in connecting the system of triangulation in Iraq and Persia with the Great Trigonometrical series of India. They also agreed that the second silver MacGregor Memorial Medal together with Rs. 100, be awarded to Subadar M.Z.A. Quraishi for the fine work he performed in assisting Major Thomas.

10. MACGREGOR MEMORIAL MEDAL. It was agreed to recommend to the Council that rule 2(b) of the rules governing the award of the MacGrego Memorial Medal should read:

"For British Other Ranks, and for V.C.Os. and Indian Other Ranks, silver medal with Rs. 100, gratuity".

11. DEFAULTING MEMBERS. The Executive Committee agreed to write of outstanding subscriptions for eight members who were in arrears with their 1944 subscriptions, and the Secretary was instructed to write each, informing them that they had been struck off the membership r and would be ineligible for future membership, unless their arrears were paid off.

The Secretary was instructed to write once more to 43 members subscriptions were outstanding for 1945.

12. ELECTIONS. The Secretary reported that Lieut.General R.A, Savory C.B., D.S.O., M.C., Lieut.General Sir Clarence Bird, K.C.I.E., C.B., D.S.O., and P. Mason, Esq., C.I.E., O.B.E., I.C.S., had been re-elected to the Council, and that the following officers had also been elected: General A.R. Godwin-Austen, C.B., O.B.E., M.C., Lieut.General C.M.P. Durnfor C.B., C.I.E., Lieut.General K.M. Loch, C.B., M.C., and Lieut.General Sir Noel Beresford-Peirse, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O.

13. SECRETARY. The decision of the Executive Committee that the pres Secretary should receive Rs. 250 per mensem was confirmed, to be effect as from September 1, 1945, this amount to be given to Lieut.-Colonel H.C. Druett in the form of Government bonds.

14. LIBRARIAN. It was agreed that the Librarian Miss W. McCormick, who joined the Institution in 1926 on pay Rs. 100-10-150, and received an increase in basic pay to Rs. 175 in April, 1944, should now be given a basic pay of Rs. 200 per mensem, as from April 1, 1946.

15. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. Major-General J.B. Dalison, Chairman of the Executive Committee, sent apologies for his inability to attend owing to his absence in the U.K. on duty.

R.A. Savory

Lieut.-General,

Chairman, Executive Committee, United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE IN

Forecast of Receipts

RECEIPTS.

		1944.	1945.
Subscriptions.	Rs. 28,000	(26,564)	(27,869)
Interest on Investments.	" 3,000	(2,938)	(2,939)
Sale of Catalogues.	" 100	(124)	(60)
Sale of Journals.	" 400	(376)	(413)
Advertisements in Journal.	" 1,200	(1,271)	(1,201)
Government Grant-in-Aid.	" 9,000	(9,000)	(9,000)
	Rs. 41,700		

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and Expenditure for 1946.

EXPENDITURE.

		1944.	1945.
Office Establishment.	Rs. 12,000	(9,767)	(11,268)
Provident Fund (Contributions & Interest)	" 550	(428)	(518)
Gratuity to Peons.	" 60	(-)	(916)
Office Contingencies.	" 1,600	(1,340)	(1,637)
Printing & Stationery.	" 400	(633)	(384)
Purchase of new books for Library.	" 700	(573)	(713)
Purchase of Periodicals.	" 700	(700)	(715)
Repairs to Building.	" 300	(571)	(273)
Journal - Printing etc.	" 12,000	(11,296)	(12,275)
Premia - Journal.	" 5,000	(4,650)	(4,995)
Journal - Postage & Freight.	" 2,000	(1,944)	(1,883)
Postage & Telegrams.	" 900	(949)	(885)
Furniture.	" 100	(-)	(-)
Prize Essay Competition	" 700	(300)	(-)
Electricity.	" 200	(259)	(175)
Exchange on Cheques and Bank Charges.	" 100	(91)	(118)
Insurance, Rent & Taxes.	" 600	(574)	(574)
Audit Fee.	" 300	(300)	(300)
Miscellaneous.	" 50	(4)	(6)
Depreciation.	" 1,200	(1,191)	(1,236)
	Rs. 39,460		
ESTIMATED SURPLUS	" 2,240		
	Rs. 41,700		

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

genda for annual Council Meeting to be held in the War Department ommittee Room, G.H.Q., New Delhi, at 5.30 on Tuesday, May 21, 1946.

. To read the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on May 2, 1945 and the minutes of the special meeting of the Council held on December 6, 1945.

. Report of the President for 1945.

. To consider, and if thought fit, approve statement of accounts and auditors' report for 1945.

4. To confirm recommendation of the Judges for the award of the Gold Medal to Colonel E.C.V. Foucar, M.C., winner of the Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1944/45.

5. To discuss and decide upon subject for Gold Medal Prize Essay Competition for 1946/47.
(Any suggestions which members of the Council might wish to make would be welcomed).

6. To select and appoint three Judges for the 1945/46 Competition, entries for which close on June 30, 1946.

7. To consider any recommendations the Executive Committee for the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1945.

. o consider any matters which the Executive Committee wish to ring before the Council.

To elect a Chairman and four members of the Council to the Executive Committee for 1946/47.

To receive apologies for absence.

. To consider any other business.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the United Service Institution of India, held in the Committee Room, War Department, G.H.Q., New Delhi on Tuesday, May 21, 1946 at 5.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Lieut.General Sir Arthur Smith, K.B.E.,C.B.,D.S.O., M.C., (President);
Air Marshal Sir Roderick Carr,KBE,CB,DFC,AFC. (Vice-President
General A. R. Godwen Austin, C.B., O.B.E., M.C.
Lieut.General R. A. Savory, C.B., D.S.O., M.C.
Lieut.General C.M.P.Durnford, C.B., C.I.E.,
Lieut.General Sir Clarence Bird, K.C.I.E., C.B., D.S.O.,
Hugh Weightman, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.,
A. D. Flax Dundas, Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S.
Lieut.Colonel H. C. Druett, (Secretary).

1. MINUTES. Minutes of the Council meeting held on May 2, 1945, and of the Special Council meeting held on December 6, 1945 to consider the transfer of the Institution from Simla to Delhi were read and confirmed.

It was agreed that no further action could be taken on the suggested transfer until the future site of G.H.Q. had been decided upon. Meantime, it was decided that an approach should be made to Sir George Abell concerning the suggestion that a donation of one lakh of rupees might be made from the Viceroy's War Purposes Fund to the Institution, to assist in its establishment in Delhi when the transfer is made.

It was also agreed that General Sir Clarence Bird should confer with Colonel Grant, secretary of the U.S. Club, Simla, with regard to the terms under which the land on which the Institution's headquarter building is leased.

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT. The President's report for 1945, appended hereto, was considered.

3. ACCOUNTS. The accounts of the Institution, and the auditor's report for 1945, as submitted by the Executive Committee, were read and approved. It was decided that the monies now invested in interest-free Government loan should be withdrawn and invested in interest-bearing securities.

4. GOLD MEDAL ESSAY. The decision of the Judges that the Gold Medal for the 1944/45 Essay Competition be awarded to Colonel E. C. V. Foucar, M.C. was confirmed.

5. ESSAY COMPETITION FOR 1946/47. Subject to be: "MAN MANAGEMENT":

6. JUDGES. It was agreed that invitations to act as Judges of the Essay Competition closing on June 30, 1946, be sent to the following:

K.M. Pannikar, Esq., Prime Minister, Bikanir.
Air Commodore E.J.Kingston McCloughry,D.S.O.,A.F.C.,R.A.F.
Lieut.General Sir Francis Tuker, K.C.I.E,C.B.,D.S.O.,O.B.E

In the event of General Tuker being unable to accept, General Durnford agreed to accept nomination in his place.

7. MACGREGOR MEMORIAL MEDAL. The Council accepted the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1946 be awarded to Major P. A. THOMAS, I.E., for his work in connecting the system of triangulation in Iraq and Persia with the Great Trigonometrical series of India, thus completing the only missing link in the system of triangulation extending from Europe to the Far East.

The recommendation that a silver medal, with Rs.100 gratuity, be also awarded to Subadar M.Z.A. Qureishi for the work he performed in assisting Major Thomas was also accepted.

RULES. It was agreed that Rule 2 (b) of the rules governing the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal should be amended as follows:

"For British soldiers, sailors or airmen, or for Indian sailors, airmen or soldiers, the latter including V.C.Os: silver medal, with Rs.100 gratuity".

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. It was decided that the following officers should comprise the Executive Committee for 1946:

Lieut.General R. A. Savory, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., (Chairman).
General A. R. Godwin-Austen, C.B., O.B.E., M.C.,
Lieut.General K. M. Loch, C.B., M.C.,
P. Mason, Esq., C.I.E., O.B.E., I.C.S.,
Captain W. J. Lifton, C.I.E., R.I.N.

The Committee was requested to consider: (a) the suggestion that the Presidency of the Institution should be vested in rotation with the Chief of the General Staff, the Air Officer Commanding in Chief, and the Flag Officer Commanding Royal Indian Navy, and submit proposals to put the change into effect; and (b) to consider bringing the rules of the Institution up to date in regard to the titles of its various officers.

APOLOGIES. Apologies for inability to attend were reported from: Philip Mason, Esq., Lieut- General K. M. Loch, General Sir Noel Beresford-Peirse, and Captain W. J. Lifton. H.Hs. of Jammu & Kashmir, Patiala, Nawanagar, Jodhpur.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the President expressing his own thanks, and those of the members, to the Secretary for his work.

Arthur Smith
Lieut- General.
President, United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 1945.

1. MEMBERSHIP.

Membership continues to increase, and deducting resignations, practically all owing to retirements and departure for U.K., and deaths, the net membership on December 31, 1945 numbered 2286, while 86 members have been elected during the first four months of this year. Altogether some 206 new members were elected in 1945.

Present net membership is as follows:

	December 31, 1944.	December 31, 1945.
Life members.	403	425
Honorary members.	5	5
Ordinary members.	1,829	1,856
	2,237	2,286

Messes subscribing on December 31, 1945 totalled 382. Subscribing Clubs numbered 36.

Taking Clubs and Messes subscriptions on a basis of ten readers per copy, and adding one reader for each membership copy, the total of the total of reader circle of the Journal is roughly 7000.

During the year a drive was made on two occasions to expand Mess subscribing members. Over 300 personal letters were despatch together with a copy of the Journal. The results were fair.

Copies of each issue are sent to R.A.F. Air Transit Camps, B.O.A.C. air booking centres, to Infantry Journal, America, to Leave Hostels in India.

A small pamphlet has been prepared with the object of persuading more junior officers to join the Institution. A copy is attached.

In April, 1946, one R.A.F. Group subscribed for forty subscriptions, presumably for R.A.F. Messes.

2. FINANCE.

The auditors' report is laid before members of the Council, and the statement of accounts is also before you. A copy has been issu to all members of the Institution. The auditors report certifies th the Balance Sheet has been compiled from the books of the Institution, and correctly exhibits the state of affairs of the Institution.

Income during the year amounted to Rs. 41,424, compared with Rs. 40,259 during 1944. Expenditure also showed an increase from Rs. 35,117 in 1944 to Rs. 36,214. Excess of income over expendit for 1945 worked out at Rs. 5,210 against Rs. 5,141 in 1944.

Statement of income for the year compared with the previous twelve months, shows that subscriptions yielded an increase of Rs. 1,305, sale of sundry copies of journal an increase of Rs. 36, while interest on investments was Rs. 1/- higher. Decreases on Income occurred in sales of Tactical Schemes, and advertisements.

On the expenditure side the main increases were Establishment, (Rs. 1,500), Gratuity to Peons, (Rs. 654), Printing of Journal (Rs. and Premia, (Rs. 345). The increase in Establishment is due to higher Dearness allowances and salary increases sanctioned la gratuity to Peons represented the inauguration of a fund year for that purpose; the increase in cost of Journal produc Rs. 600 per issue is due to increased number of pages of an Frontispiece in each issue; while the increase i Expenses is due to the additional numb contribu

The financial position of the Institution shows that investments stand Rs. 1,05,612, the market value as per certificate from Lloyds Bank,Ltd., Simla, being Rs. 1,06,809. Cash balances on December 31, 1945 amounted to Rs. 24,604. The book value of the building,library, furniture and fittings and tropics amounts to Rs. 34,611. Other sundry assets amount to Rs. 2,648.

Liabilities include Rs. 13,461 made up of Employees' Provident Fund, Rs. 6,158; Gratuity to Peons, Rs. 916; Members & Subscribers subscriptions at credit, Rs. 2,816; Advertisers at credit, Rs. 120; bills unpaid Rs. 5,450.

5. LIBRARY.

The Library continues to be one of the most complete military libraries in India. During the year 72 new books were purchased, and 950 borrowed by members.

Many of the latest books are now in stock, and immediately books are reviewed in the "Times Literary Supplement" or other periodicals and are likely to appeal to members, an order is issued for their purchase. A wide range of periodicals is maintained in the Reading Room and members avail themselves of the facility of borrowing them for a period up to three days.

The Library now contains upwards of 4,000 volumes.

6. JOURNAL.

The standard of the Journal has been maintained, while the number of pages in each issue has been increased and other improvements included. The supply of articles is satisfactory. Every effort is made to make the Journal of real help to the young officer class, to keep the literary standard on a high level, and, in general, to provide members with a Journal of permanent value.

Any assistance which members of the Council could give in making the Journal more widely known would be most welcome. Many more officers' messes could easily add the Journal to the periodicals already available in their Mess, and if the opportunity presents itself any assistance in drawing attention to this fact would be gratefully acknowledged.

7. GOLD MEDAL.

For the 1944/45 Competition, which closed on June 30 last year, five entries were received. The paper submitted by Colonel E.G.V. Fou was chosen by the Judges as the best, and they recommended that he be awarded the Gold Medal. The winning essay appeared in the January 19 issue of the Journal.

A list of winners of the Gold Medal Essay Competition from its inception will appear in the July issue of the Journal.

8. MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

Mainly owing to retirements, we have many changes on the Council. My predecessor, Lieut.-General Sir John Swayne, relinquished his office as President on his appointment as Adjutant-General of the Forces in January. Air Vice Marshal H. Thomas, Vice President, has been succeeded by Air Marshal Sir R. Carr, Vice Admiral J.H. Godfrey by Vice Admiral Sir Geoffrey Miles, H.E. Sir C.M. Trivedi by Mr. A. Flax Ponsby, and H.E. Sir Olaf Caroe by Mr. Hugh Weightman.

Among the elected members Major-General J.S. Dalison, Lt.-General Sir T.J. Hutton, Captain H.E. Faleer Paine, Major-General R.A.K. Lyon, Lieutenant-General Sir H.R.N. Willcox have not offered themselves for re-election, and I am sure the Council would wish me to place on record their warm appreciation of the services they have rendered the Institution in the past.

Statement of Account for the year ended 31st December, 1945.

THE UNITED SERVICE

Balance Sheet as at

Capital and Liabilities.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Capital—						
As at 1st January, 1945	1,49,002	2	9			
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year ended 31st December, 1945, as per Revenue account attached	3,210	3	11	1,52,212	6	8
Employees' Provident Fund				6,158	0	0
Gratuity to Peons				916	0	0
Liabilities—						
Electricity	54	5	0			
Audit Fee	300	0	0			
Journal-Printing and Proof Reading ..	2,673	0	3			
Journal-Postage and Freightage	422	11	6	3,450	0	9
Members and Subscribers at Credit				2,816	8	0
Advertisers at Credit				120	0	0
Carried over ..				1,65,672	15	5

31*st December*, 1945.

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A. P.
BUILDINGS (BOOK VALUE)—								
As at 1st January, 1945				16,525	0	0		
Less—Depreciation at 1½%				248	0	0	16,277	0 0
LIBRARY BOOKS (BOOK VALUE)—								
As at 1st January, 1945				9,383	0	0		
Add—Additions during 1945				713	7	0		
				10,096	7	0		
Less—Sales during 1945				14	12	0		
				10,081	11	0		
Less—Depreciation								
5% on opening balance			468	0	0			
50% on additions ..			356	11	0	824	11 0	9,257 0 0
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS (BOOK VALUE)—								
As at 1st January, 1945				2,319	0	0		
Less—Depreciation 6%				139	0	0	2,180	0 0
MAGIC LANTERN (BOOK VALUE)								
As at 1st January, 1945				322	0	0		
Less—Depreciation				24	0	0	298	0 0
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES (BOOK VALUE)—								
As at 1st January, 1945							3,682	5 8
MEDALS AND TROPHIES—								
As at 1st January, 1945							3,113	8 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS—								
Members at Debit				1,209	1	0		
Advertiser at Debit				40	0	0	1,249	1 0
INVESTMENTS—								
Lodged with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla for safe custody								
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures, Face value Rs. 3,000 at Rs. 90				2,700	0	0		
4% Bonds 1960-70 Loan, face value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 103				8,240	0	0		
4% Bonds 1960-70 Loan, face value Rs. 5,000 at Rs. 107				5,350	0	0		
3½% Bonds 1947-50 Loan, face value Rs. 4,000 at Rs. 106-5-0				4,252	8	0		
Carried over ..				20,542	8	0	36,056	14 11

Balance Sheet as at

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Brought forward ..				1,65,672	15	5
Total ..				1,65,672	15	5

SIMLA:
14th April, 1946.

INSTITUTION OF INDIA

31*st December*, 1945.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Brought forward ..	20,542	8	0	36,056	14	11
4½% Bonds 1955-60 Loan, Face value Rs. 10,000 at Rs. 120	12,000	0	0			
3½% Bonds 1965 Loan, Face value Rs. 8,000 at Rs. 94-11	7,575	0	0			
3% Bonds 1963-65 Loan, Face value Rs. 15,500 at Rs. 98	15,190	0	0			
3% 1946 Defence Bonds, Face value Rs. 15,000 at par	15,000	0	0			
3½% Bonds 1947-50 Loan, Face value Rs. 8,400 at Rs. 98-8	8,274	0	0			
3% Bonds 1949-52 Loan, Face Value Rs. 4,000 at Ris. 100-12-5	4,030	15	9			
3 Years Government of India Interest free Defence Bonds	21,000	0	0	1,03,612	7	9
EXPENSES PREPAID—						
Telephone	181	5	4			
Periodicals	304	4	0	485	9	4
LIBRARY CATALOGUES—						
As at 1st January, 1945	973	8	6			
Less:—Sold during 1945	60	0	0	913	8	6
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES—						
Balance at Lloyds Bank Ltd., London	660	1	0			
Balance at Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla						
In Current Account	6,223	8	8			
In Savings, Account	10,080	12	0			
In Savings Account (Employees Provident Fund and Peons Gratuity Contra)	7,064	0	0			
Balance in hand with the Secretary	576	1	3	24,604	6	11
Total ..				1,65,672	15	5

Examined and found correct in accordance with the books.

AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants, Auditors.

Revenue Account for the year

	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
To Establishment		11,267 8 0
,, Contribution to Employees Provident Fund with Interest		517 10 0
,, Gratuity to Peons		854 0 0
,, Contingencies		1,636 9 6
,, Printing and Stationery		383 8 6
,, Insurance Rates and Taxes		573 14 0
,, Electricity		175 6 0
,, Postage and Telegrams		885 4 0
,, Exchange and Bank Commission		117 12 2
,, Repairs to Buildings		273 1 0
,, Audit fee		309 0 0
,, Miscellaneous Expenses		6 5 0
U. S. I. Journal Expenses—		
Printing & Proof reading	12,275 1 9	
Premia	4,994 10 8	
Postage & Freight	1,882 9 6	19,152 5 11
,, Arrears of Subscription written off		120 0 0
,, Purchase of Periodicals		714 10 0
DEPRECIATION—		
Building	248 0 0	
Library Books	824 11 0	
Furniture & Fittings	139 0 0	
Magic Lantern	24 0 0	1,235 11 0
SURPLUS—		
Excess of Income over Expenditure		3,210 3 11
Total ..		41,423 13 0

SIMLA:
14*th April*, 1946.

INSTITUTION OF INDIA

ending 31*st December*, 1945.

				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
By Government Grant	..	..	..				9,000	0	0
„ Member Subscriptions	..	..	..				23,669	0	0
„ Life Subscriptions	..	..	..				4,200	0	0
„ Army Lists	..	..	..				2	8	0
„ Sale of Journals	..	..	..				412	8	0
„ Advertisements in Journals		..	..	1,243	15	0			
Less—Commission	..	..	..	43	0	0	1,200	15	0
„ Interest on Investments	..	..	..				2,938	14	0
Total	..						41,423	13	0

AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants, Auditors

Cash Account for the year

	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
To Balance on 1st January, 1945 with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla in current account		1,120 10 1
„ Interest on Investments		262 8 0
Total ..		1,383 2 1

Balance Sheet as at

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.

	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Balance of Fund—		
As at 1st January, 1945		6,157 10 1
Add—Excess of Income over Expenditure for 1945		257 0 0
Total ..		6,414 10 1

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MEMORIAL FUND).

ending 31st December, 1945.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
By Bank Commission				5	8	0
„ Closing Balance on 31st December, 1945 with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla in current account				1,377	10	1
Total ..				1,383	2	1

31st December, 1945.

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Investments:— (Lodged with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla for safe custody).						
3½% Government Loan 1842-43, Face value Rs. 2,000 at Rs. 58 (approx.)						
3½% Government Loan 1865, Face value Rs. 4,300 at Rs. 58 (approx.)	3,658	0	0			
3% 1963-65 Loan, Face value Rs. 1,400 at Rs. 98 ..	1,379	0	0	5,037	0	0
Balance at Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla in current account				1,377	10	1
Total ..				6,414	10	1

Examined and found correct in accordance with the books.

AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants, Auditors.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

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PRESENT: confirm minutes of Executive Committee meeting held on [illegible] 16,1946.

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[illegible]ort of Progress of Institution during 1946.

1. M[illegible] consider auditors' report for 1946.
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2. M[illegible] consider revised rates for advertisements.
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from[illegible] consider recommendations for subject of next Gold Medal
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MINUTES of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Service Institution of India held in G.HQ. New Delhi on Friday, 25th July 25th., 1947.

PRESENT: Lieut.General Sir Reginald Savory, (Chairman);
Air Vice Marshal A.L.A Perry-Keene;
Major-General S. Greaves.
Lieut. Col. H. [illegible] Drutt, (Secretary)

1. MINUTES. Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee held on May 16, 1946 were read and confirmed.

2. MATTERS ARISING. The Committee decided that in view of developments in the constitutional sphere of India, that no further action be taken in regard to the suggested transfer of the Institution from Simla to Delhi.

(b) The Executive Committee decided that in view of the special circumstances now prevailing, ~~that~~ the question re ~~introducing~~ introduced the entrance fee should be referred to the Council.

3. PROGRESS REPORT. The Secretary reported that during the year 363 new members had joined the Institution, and 141 Officers' Messes had become subscribing members. Retirements and departures for England, deaths, etc. numbered 156, bringing the net increase in membership to 234. Membership on December 31, 1946 was 2,486, and subscribing members in the form of Clubs and Messes totalled 452. Thirty-seven Life Memberships had been issued, but seven Life Members died, making a net increase of 30, and bringing the total of Life Members to 455.

4. AUDITORS' REPORT. The auditors' report for 1946 was inspected and approved. The Committee instructed the Secretary to sell the Magic Lantern, which was valued in the Accounts at Rs.276.

5. BUDGET. The anticipated income and expenditure for 1947 was submitted by the Secretary and approved.

6. ADVERTISEMENTS. The Committee authorised the Secretary to raise the advertisement rate for the Journal to Rs.100 per page as from January 1, 1948, and if it be considered workable, to allot a number of pages on imitation art paper, to be charged for at the rate of Rs.150 per page.

7. MACGREGOR MEMORIAL MEDAL. The Executive Committee decided to recommend to the Council that a Silver MacGregor Memorial Medal be awarded to Colonel A. S. Lancaster, O.B.E., 10th Gurkha Rifles, as they felt that the work he had carried out, and for which he was recommended, fell within the terms under which the Medal should be awarded.

8. ESSAY COMPETITION. The Committee decided that the subject to be set for the next Competition (1947/48) should be discussed at the Council meeting to be held on July 28.

9. DEFAULTING MEMBERS. The Committee decided to write off the balance outstanding against the subscriptions of 22 members from whom no response had been received in regarding to their subscriptions for 1945. The Secretary was instructed to write to the members whose subscriptions for 1946 were in arrears.

10. LIBRARIAN. The Executive Committee decided that the sum of Rs.1,000 (one thousand) should be added to the Provident Fund for Miss W. McCormick, that sum to be expended on her homeward voyage if and when she decides to proceed to the United Kingdom or any other country on her retirement.

11. CHIEF CLERK. The Committee decided to increase the basic pay of Mr. K. L. Bedi to Rs.150-10-200, with effect from April 1, 1947.

12. ASSISTANT SECRETARY. The Executive Committee expressed their warm thanks to Major D. Bosworth for his work as Assistant Secretary from 1938 to 1947, and the Chairman said he would send a letter to Major Bosworth conveying the best wishes of the Committee in his retirement.

13. MESSRS. KERR & CO. The Committee were unable to accept the offer of Messrs. Kerr & Co. of Calcutta to sell to the Institution certain records in album form of the Sikh War of 1830.

14. FUTURE OF INSTITUTION. The Executive Committee decided that the subject of the future of the United Service Institution of India should be discussed at the Council Meeting, to be held on July 28, 1947.

Confirmed — Sd/- Chakravarty Gen. 29/10/48

R.R. Savory.

Lieut.General.
Chairman, Executive Committee.
17/7/47.

ITEM No. 6 OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 28, 1945.

6. ALLOWANCES, CLERICAL STAFF. "REVISED DEARNESS ALLOWNACES FOR GOVERNMENT SERVANTS HAVING BEEN SANCTIONED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGREED TO APPLY THEM TO THE STAFF OF THE U.S.I."

PRESENT ALDOWANCES.

	Miss McCormick. Rs. 200/-			Mr. Bedi. Rs. 150/-			Two peons. Rs. 32/- 30/-	
	Summer	Winter.		Summer	Winter		Summer	Winter
Dearness Allce.	35/-	35/-		26/-	26/-		16/-	16/-
House Rent "	15/-	5/-		26/-	9/-		-	-
Compensatory allowance.	20/-	20/-	10% Pay.	15/-	15/-	10% Pay	4/-	-
Winter allce.	-	45/-		-	35/-		-	8/-
Concession rates for Grains.	-	-		4/-	4/-		4/-	4/-
Interim Relief Pay.	4/8	4/8		4/8	4/8		3/-	3/-
	74/8	109/8		75/8	93/8		27	31/-

NEW ALLOWANCES SANCTIONED BY GOVT: OF INDIA from AUGUST 16, 1947.

Dearness Allce.	45/-	45/-		40/-	40/-		25/-	25/-
House rent.	15/-	5/-		26/-	9/-		-	-
Compensatory allowance.	20/-	20/-	10% Pay.	15/-	15/-	10% Pay.	3/8	3/8
Washing allce.	-	-		-	-		1/-	1/-
Winter "	-	45/-		-	35/-		-	8/-
	80/-	115/-		81/-	99/-		29/8	37/8

UNDER THE HEAD "OFFICE ESTABLISHMENT" FOR THE CURRENT YEAR THE REVISED ALLOWANCES WILL MEAN RS. 89/- INCREASE

APPROVED.
Lieut. Colonel,
Secretary, United Service Institution of India
1.9.47.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Forecast of Receipts and Expenditure for 1947.

RECEIPTS.	Anticipated 1947	Actual 1946
Subscriptions.	Rs. 35,000	(29348)
Interest on Investments.	" 3,000	(2,458)
Sale of Catalogues.	" 100	(38)
Sale of Journals.	" 400	(610)
Advertisements in Journal.	" 5,000	(1,234)
Govt. Grant-in-Aid.	" 9,000	(9,000)
	Rs. 50,500	

EXPENDITURE.	Anticipated 1947	Actual 1946
Office Establishment	Rs. 11,600	(12,349)
Provident Fund (contributions and interest)	" 600	(585)
Gratuity to Peons.	" 80	(69)
Office Contingencies.	" 600	(1,507)
Telephone.	" 400	(-)
Printing & Stationery.	" 1,000	(749)
Purchase of new books for Library.	" 900	(847)
Purchase of Periodicals.	" 700	(951)
Repairs to Building.	" 700	(107)
Journal - Printing etc.	" 16,000	(15,585)
Journal - Premia.	" 6,500	(6,449)
Journal - Postage & Freight.	" 2,500	(2,245)
Paper - Journal.	" 3,500	(-)
Postage & Telegrams.	" 1,000	(1,008)
Prize Essay Competition.	" 400	(400)
Electricity.	" 200	(192)
Exchange on Cheques and Bank Charges.	" 200	(215)
Insurance, Rent & Taxes.	" 700	(695)
Audit Fee.	" 300	(300)
Depreciation.	" 1,500	(1,282)
	Rs. 49,380	
ESTIMATED SURPLUS.	" 1,120	
	Rs. 50,500	

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

AGENDA for annual Council Meeting to be held in the Defence Department Committee Room, G.H.Q., New Delhi, at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, July 28, 1947.

1. To read Minutes of Council meeting held on May 21, 1946.

2. To receive report of the President for 1946.

3. To consider, and if thought fit, approve statement of accounts and auditors' report for 1946.

4. To discuss and decide upon subject for Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1947/48. (Any suggestions which members of the Council might wish to make will be welcomed.)

5. To select and appoint three Judges for the 1946/1947 Essay Competition. (Fifteen entries have been received; the subject of the competition was "Man Management".

6. To consider recommendations of the Executive Committee for the MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1946.

7. To consider constitution of the United Service Institution of India and the recommendations of the Executive Committee on that subject.

8. To elect a Chairman and four members of the Council to the Executive Committee for 1947/48.

9. To receive apologies for absence.

10. To consider any other business.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the United Service Institution of India, held in the Committee Room, War Department, G.H.Q., New Delhi on Monday, July 28, 1947 at 5.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Lieut.-General Sir Arthur Smith, KCB, KBE, DSO, MC. (President).
Lieut.-General Sir Reginald Savory, KCIE, CB, DSO, MC.
Major-General S. Greeves, D.S.O., O.B.E.
Brigadier S.P.P. Thorat, D.S.O.
Brigadier G.S. Dhillon.
Lieut.Colonel H.C. Druett, (Secretary).

The following also attended the meeting by invitation:

Commodore John Lawrence, R.I.N.
Air Commodore S. Mukerjee, O.B.E., R.I.A.F.
Brigadier A.M. Raza.
Brigadier K.S. Thimayya.
Lieut.Colonel G.G. Bewoor.
Wing Commander M.K. Janjua.
Squadron Leader M. Asghar Khan.
Flight Lieut. H.U. Bhatty.
Lieut.Colonel M.A. Latif Khan.
Brigadier K.M. Cariappa.

1. MINUTES. Minutes of the Council meeting held on May 21, 1946 were read and confirmed.

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT. The President's report for 1946, as attached, was received.

3. ACCOUNTS. Statement of accounts and the auditor's report for 1946, which had been scrutinised by the Executive Committee, were approved. It was decided to re-introduce the Rs. 10/- entrance fee as from 1 January, 1948, and to announce that decision in the October, 1947 issue of the Journal of the Institution.

4. GOLD MEDAL ESSAY. It was decided that the subject for the Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1947/48 should be:

"Are Officers' Messes suitable for Indian conditions?".

5. JUDGES FOR ESSAY COMPETITION. The Council invited the following to act as Judges for the Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1946/47, the subject of which was "Man Management":

Brigadier S.P.P. Thorat, D.S.O.
Wing Commander M.K. Janjua.
Commander H.G.P. Taylor, R.I.N.

6. MACGREGOR MEMORIAL MEDAL. The Council decided to recommend that the Silver MacGregor Memorial Medal for 1947 be awarded to Colonel A.S. Lancaster, O.B.E., 10 Gurkha Rifles, for his valuable exploration work and report. 1946

7. FUTURE OF INSTITUTION. Unanimous agreement having been expressed that it was desired that the Institution should continue to function, that the Journal should continue to be published, and that the Institution should cover the interests of India and of Pakistan, it was decided that a meeting of the Council and such co-opted members as the Council would appoint should be convened in November to discuss details concerning the future Constitution of the United Service Institution of India.

To meet present circumstances, and pending decisions arrived at at that meeting, it was agreed that the Governors-General of India and of Pakistan should be invited to become joint Patrons of the Institution; that the Defence Members of India and Pakistan, the Supreme Commander, ~~of the Armed Forces~~, the Commanders-in-Chief of

Members

Navy, Army and Air Forces in India and Pakistan, and the Governors of the Provinces of India and Pakistan be invited to become Vice-Patrons of the Institution.

Pending decisions to be arrived at at the meeting to be held in November, it was decided that the Council of the Institution should be constituted as follows:

Ex Officio Members.

~~Chief of Naval Staff~~, (President);
~~Chiefs of Staff, Armies~~;
~~Chiefs of Staff, Air Forces.~~
Secretary, Defence Department, India;
Secretary, Defence Department, Pakistan;
Secretary, External Affairs Department, India;
Secretary, External Affairs Department, Pakistan.

Elected Members:

Brigadier H. Bullock, O.B.E.
Brigadier G.S. Dhillon.
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Philip Mason, Esq., C.I.E., O.B.E., I.C.S.
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Co-opted Members.

Air Commodore S. Mukerjee, O.B.E., R.I.A.F;
Brigadier A.M. Raza;
Captain H.M.S. Choudri, M.B.E., R.I.N.

Honorary Members.

Lieut.-General H.H. The Maharaja of Jammu and Kashmir, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O.
Air Vice-Marshal H.H. The Nawab of Bhopal, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., C.V.O.
Colonel H.H. The Maharaja Jam Saheb of Nawanagar, G.C.I.E., K.C.S.I.
Major-General H.H. Maharajadhiraj of Patiala, G.C.I.E., G.B.E.
Lieut. Colonel H.H. The Raja of Faridkot, K.C.S.I.

8. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. The following were elected members of the Executive Committee for 1947/48:

Brigadier G.S. Dhillon, (Chairman);
Brigadier S.P.P. Thorat, D.S.O;
Air Commodore S. Mukerjee, O.B.E., R.I.A.F.;
Brigadier A.M. Raza;
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9. APOLOGIES. Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Vice-Admiral Sir Geoffrey Miles, Commander H.G.P. Taylor, Air Vice-Marshal A.L.A. Perry-Keene, A. Flux Dundas, Esq., Colonel G.C.L. Crichton; Air Marshal H.S.P. Walmsley.

10. SECRETARY. Brigadier Thorat proposed, and Lieut.-General Sir Reginald Savory seconded, a vote of thanks to Lieut. Colonel H.C. Druett for his work on behalf of the Institution. Carried unanimously.

Arthur Smith
Lieut. General,
President, United Service Institution of India.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 1946.

MEMBERSHIP.

During 1946 some 504 new members and messes were enrolled, and from January 1, 1947 to June 30, 1947 a further 352 new members have been added to our roll.

With the "run down" in the strength of the Armed Forces the Institution has naturally lost a number of Mess subscriptions. However during the latter part of the year under review an effort was made to interest Messes of the Indian State Forces, with the result that by the end of December some 69 of them had become subscribing members. Similarly, in Ordinary members we lost six by death, 143 by resignation, and 7 by writing off. Thus although 504 new members and messes were added to the subscription list during the year under review the net increase for the twelve months totalled only 234.

Details of membership and subscription membership as it stood at the end of 1946 were:

	December 31, 1945.	December 31, 1946.
Life members.	425	455
Honorary members	5	5
Ordinary members. ...	1,856	2,026
Messes.	382	421
Clubs.	36	31
	2,704	2,938

One encouraging aspect in the number of new members enrolled is the large number of Indian officers who are now taking a keen interest in the Institution and in the Journal. Correspondence, indeed, reveals that articles in the Journal are read most carefully, while the number of Indian officers who submit good articles for the Journal is increasing; they display not merely literary ability but also the desire to stimulate thought and widen knowledge of military science.

Gradually we are obtaining more support from the Navy and Air Forces, and anything members of the Council can do to increase interest among naval and air officers will be much appreciated.

At the end of the year a personal letter from the Secretary was sent to all members in India, asking them to persuade their friends to become members. It produced good results.

Small notices are now exhibited in Simla hotels, in G.H.Q. and in the U.S. Club extending a cordial invitation to officers stationed or visiting Simla, to visit the H.Q. building of the Institution.

FINANCE.

The auditors' report is laid before members of the Council, and the statement of accounts is also before you. A copy has been issued to all members of the Institution. The auditors' report certifies that the Balance Sheet has been compiled from the books of the Institution, and correctly exhibits the State of affairs of the Institution.

Income during the year amounted to Rs. 43,286, compared with Rs. 41,424 during 1945. Rising costs of production of the Journal were mainly responsible for an increase in expenditure from Rs. 38,213 to Rs. 45,457.

Statement of income for the year shows that subscriptions increased by Rs. 1,479 (the majority of new members joined during the last quarter of the year and their subscriptions are mainly carried to 1947 accounts); profit on sales of investments, the term of which had expired, amounted to Rs. 575; while sales of single copies of the Journal brought in Rs. 198.

On the expenditure side the chief increase occurred in production of the U.S.I. Journal, the cost of printing of which increased by Rs. 3,308, authors' fees by Rs. 1,454 and postages by Rs. 362; this increase is consequent of the bigger size of the Journal, the consequent larger number of contributors, and the greater number of members to whom copies are sent. In this connection it may be mentioned that though printing charges everywhere are now much greater than they were before the War, the paper costs have risen, these higher rates have not been offset by an increase in subscription rates, which have been stationery since 1921; I should add that the Secretary has succeeded in persuading our printers, Civil & Military Gazette, Ltd., to reduce their printing charges this year.

Establishment costs have risen by Rs. 1,082, following increases sanctioned last year; printing and stationery charges are higher by Rs. 366 (partly occasioned by the printing of pamphlets for potential members and advertisers); the sum of Rs. 686 has been written off Library catalogues, as when they were printed in 1940 the price fixed was lower than the cost of production, and by writing off this sum and selling the copies we have in hand the account will be clear.

The Secretary made a "drive" for increased advertisement revenue during the latter part of the year under review, raising the page advertisement rate from Rs. 20 to Rs. 80. As a result the advertisement revenue for 1947 is expected to be in the neighbourhood of Rs. 5,000, against Rs. 1,234 in 1946.

The financial position of the Institution shows that investments stand at Rs. 1,04,409, the market value as per certificate from Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla, being Rs. 1,07,688. Cash balances on December 31, 1946 amounted to Rs. 21,012. The book value of the building, library, furniture and fittings and trophies amounts to Rs. 34,355. Other sundry assets amount to Rs. 3,010.

Liabilities include Rs. 12,795, made up of Employees' Provident Fund (Rs. 7,066); Gratuity to Peons, (Rs. 985); Members and subscribers subscriptions at credit, (Rs. 3,682); advertisers at credit, (Rs. 390); and bills unpaid, (Rs. 671).

HEADQUARTER BUILDING.

Since the close of the financial year on December 31, 1946, the United Service Club, Simla, from whom we hold a 25-year lease of the land on which our property stands, have offered to sell us the freehold of the plot. The terms of the lease contain a clause under which, if we do not wish to renew the lease at the end of its term, the building would be purchased by the United Service Club for a sum not exceeding the original capital cost of the building less depreciation at 1½% per annum. As a result, if the Institution wished to establish itself elsewhere this year, it would receive only Rs. 12,000 for the building, the market value of which is considerably in excess of that figure.

Members of the Council were communicated with as the Club desired a decision urgently, and as all replies agreed with the proposal, the Council has felt it in the best interests of the Institution to inform the Club that the offer they have made to sell the freehold of the plot to the United Service Institution for Rs. 16,000 is accepted.

As a result, the Institution will henceforth be relieved of the payment of Rs. 300 annually as Ground Rent, and if at any time the Institution wishes to dispose off the building, it will receive the whole of the sale price.

LIBRARY.

The Library continues to be one of the most complete

military libraries in India, and is in constant use by members, both of those stationed in Simla and in out-stations.

JOURNAL.

The Journal has maintained its standard, and is of increasing assistance to officers. The supply of articles much exceeds the space available, despite the fact that the size of the Journal has been enlarged. Every effort is made to make the Journal of real value to officers, to keep the literary standard on a high level, and to provide members with a Journal of permanent value.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA

Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1946.

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Balance Sheet as

Capital and Liabilities.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Capital—						
As at 1st January 1946	152,212	6	8			
Less—Deficit for the year ended 31st December 1946 as per Revenue account	2,220	0	7	149,992	6	1
Employees' Provident Fund:—(Provided for as per contra)				7,066	0	0
Gratuity to Peons:—(Provided for as per contra)				985	0	0
Liabilities—						
For Electricity	81	7	0			
For Audit Fee	300	0	0			
For Premia	100	0	0			
For Printing & Stationery	190	0	0	671	7	0
Subscribers at Credit:—				3,682	4	0
Advertisers at Credit:—				390	0	0
Carried over ..				162,787	1	1

INSTITUTION OF INDIA, SIMLA.
at 31st *December*, 1946.

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.			Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
BUILDINGS:—								
As at January 1946			16,277	0	0			
Less—Depreciation @ 1½%			244	0	0	16,033	0	0
LIBRARY BOOKS:—								
As at 1st January 1946			9,257	0	0			
Add—Additions during the year			846	11	2			
			10,103	11	2			
Less—Sales during the year			17	8	0			
			10,086	3	2			
Depreciation at 5% on opening balance ..	462	14 2						
Depreciation at 50% on additions	423	5 0	886	3	2	9,200	0	0
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS:—								
As at 1st January 1946			2,180	0	0			
Less—Depreciation at 6%			130	0	0	2,050	0	0
MAGIC LANTERN:—								
As at 1st January 1946			298	0	0			
Less—Depreciation at 7½%			22	0	0	276	0	0
PICTURES & SCULPTURES:—								
As at 1st January 1946						3,682	5	8
MEDALS AND TROPHIES:—								
As at 1st January 1946						3,113	8	3
SUBSCRIBERS AT DEBIT:						2,576	9	0
ADVERTISERS AT DEBIT:						60	0	0
INVESTMENTS:—(In safe custody with Lloyds Bank, Simla).								
4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures Face Value Rs. 3,000/- @ Rs. 90/-			2,700	0	0			
4% Bonds 1960-70 Loan Face Value Rs. 8,000/- at Rs. 103/-			8,240	0	0			
4% Bonds 1960-70 Loan Face Value Rs. 5,000/- at Rs. 107/-			5,350	0	0			
3½% Bonds 1947-50 Loan Face Value Rs. 4,000/- at Rs. 106/5.			4,252	8	0			
4½% Bonds 1955-60 Loan Face Value Rs. 10,000/- at Rs. 120/-			12,000	0	0			
3½% Bonds 1865 Loan Face Value .. Rs. 8,000/- at Rs. 94/11 (in course of conversion into 3% Conversion Loan of 1946) ..			7,575	0	0			
3% Bonds 1963-65 Loan Face Value Rs. 15,500/- at Rs. 98/-			15,190	0	0			
3% Bonds First Development Loan Face Value Rs. 15,000/- at Rs. 105/5—1970-75			15,796	14	0			
3½% Bonds 1947-50 Loan Face Value Rs. 8,400/- at Rs. 98/8.			8,274	0	0			
3% Bonds 1949-52 Loan Face Value Rs. 4,000/- at Rs. 100/12-5			4,030	15	9			
3 years Government of India Interest Free Defence Bonds .. .			21,000	0	0	104,409	5	9
EXPENSES PREPAID (Telephone Rental):—						181	5	4
LIBRARY CATALOGUES—								
As at 1st January 1946			913	8	6			
Less:—Sales during the year ..	35	0 0						
Amount written off ..	686	0 6	721	0	6	192	8	0
Carried over ..						141,774	10	0

THE UNITED SERVICE
Balance Sheet as

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.	Rs.	A.	P.
Brought forward ..	162,787	1	1
Total Rs.	162,787	1	1

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR

				Rs.	A.	P.
To Establishment				12,349	0	0
,, Contribution to Employees' Provident Fund with Interest				583	0	0
,, Gratuity to Peons with interest				69	0	0
,, Contingencies				1,507	3	0
,, Printing and Stationery				748	13	0
,, Insurance, rates and taxes				692	8	0
,, Electricity				191	8	0
,, Postage and Telegrams				1,008	5	6
,, Exchange and Bank Commission				214	14	6
,, Repairs to Buildings				107	2	0
,, Audit Fee				300	0	0
,, Miscellaneous Expenses				19	14	4
U. S. I. Journal Expenses—						
Printing & Proof Reading	15,582	13	0			
Premia	6,448	10	8			
Postage and Freight	2,245	7	3	24,276	14	11*
,, Arrears of Subscription written off ..				70	0	0
,, Purchase of Periodicals				951	0	8
,, Prizes				400	0	0
DEPRECIATION—						
On Buildings	244	0	0			
On Library Books	886	3	2			
On Furniture & Fittings	130	0	0			
On Magic Lantern	22	0	0	1,282	3	2
,, Amount written off Library Catalogues ..				686	0	6
Total Rs.				45,457	7	7

* A paragraph in the auditor's report states :
Expenses under head "*U.S.I. Journal* Expenses", Rs. 24,276-14-11 against Rs. 19,152-5-11 in 1945. The increase is due to higher printing charges and bigger size of the Journal.

SIMLA:
8th March, 1947.

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PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

				Rs.	A.	P.
Brought forward				141,774	10	0
CASH—						
Balance at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., London		311	11 6			
Balance at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla—						
In Current Account		2,096	0 10			
In Savings Account		10,180	12 0			
Balance at Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla in Savings Account (Employees' Provident Fund & Peons' Gratuity)		8,051	0 0			
Balance in hand with the Secretary		372	14 9			
				21,012	7	1
Total Rs.				162,787	1	1

ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1946.

				Rs.	A.	P.
By Government Grant				9,000	0	0
,, Members' Subscriptions				23,798	4	0
,, Life Subscriptions				5,550	0	0
,, Army Lists				42	0	0
,, Sale of Journals				609	11	0
,, Advertisements in Journals		1,263	15 0			
Less—Commission		30	0 0	1,233	15	0
,, Interest on Investments				2,457	12	0
,, Interest from Bank				170	13	0
,, Profit on sale of Investments				375	0	0
,, Balance being deficit transferred to Balance Sheet				2,220	0	7
Total Rs.				45,457	7	7

Examined and found correct in accordance with the books and information supplied.

AIYAR & Co.,

Registered Accountants, Auditors.

THE UNITED SERVICE
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Cash Account for the year

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
To Balance on 1st January 1946 with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla in Current Account ..				1,377	10	1
„ Interest on Investments				252	7	0
Total Rs.				1,630	1	1

Balance Sheet as at

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance of Fund—						
As at 1st January 1946	6,414	10	1			
Add—Excess of Interest collected over expenditure	31	3	0	6,445	13	1
Total Rs.				6,445	13	1

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MEMORIAL FUND).
ended 31st December 1946.

	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
By Bank Charges		7 0 0
,, Cost of Medals awarded to Major P. A. Thomas & Subadar M. Z. A. Quraishi		114 4 0
,, Cash award to Subadar M. Z. A. Quraishi ..		100 0 0
,, Balance on 31st December 1946 with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla in Current Account		1,408 13 1
Total Rs.		1,630 1 1

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CASH—		
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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

AGENDA for Special Meeting of the Council to be held in the War Department Committee Room, South Block, Imperial Secretariat, on Friday, November 14, at 5 p.m.

1. To review the decision taken at the annual Council meeting.

2. To inform the Council of the names of those who have accepted office as ex officio members.

3. To discuss the financial implications:

   (a) the present financial position of the Institution;

   (b) the possibility of the two Dominion Governments of India and Pakistan contributing jointly to the annual subsidy hitherto granted to the Institution.

   (c) to consider suggestion whereby the financial position may be improved, in view of the rise in costs of production of the Journal.

4. To discuss the future membership of the Council.

5. To discuss composition of Staff.

6. To discuss appointment of new secretary and editor, in view of the early departure of the present holder of that office.

7. To consider any other business.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL, HELD IN THE WAR DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE ROOM, IMPERIAL SECRETARIAT, NEW DELHI, ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1947.

PRESENT:

Admiral Sir Geoffrey Miles, (President);
Brigadier H. Bullock;
Major-General Cariappa;
Admiral J. B. Hall;
Admiral J. W. Jefford;
Air Commodore S. Mukerjee;
Lieut. General Sir Arthur Smith.

In attendance: Colonel B. D. Kapur;
Khub Chand, Esq., ICS., representing Secretary, Defence Ministry, India.

1. The President recalled the decision arrived at at the annual meeting of the Council held in Delhi on July 18, 1947 in regard to the future of the Institution.

2. The Secretary reported that, in accordance with the resolutions passed at the July meeting, he had extended the invitation of the Council to H.E. Mr. Jinnah, Governor-General of Pakistan, to become Joint Patron of the Institution, acceptance of which Mr. Jinnah had intimated that he would wish to defer until the special meeting now being held.

All Governors of Provinces had accepted the invitation to become Vice Patrons of the Institution except the Governor of Sind, who wished to await the results of the meeting now being held, and the Governor of the United Provinces, who had only recently arrived back in India. No reply had been received from the two Defence Ministers.

The Council agreed that the decisions and views of the present meeting should be conveyed to the Governor-General of Pakistan and to the two Defence Ministers. It was also agreed that the Secretary should extend on behalf of the Council a cordial invitation to each of the above to accept office as Joint Patron and Vice-Patrons respectively.

The Secretary reported that Mr. Menon, Joint Secretary of the External Affairs Ministry, India, had informed him that his Ministry was sympathetically interested in the work the Institution was endeavouring to do.

In considering the future of the Institution, it was unanimously agreed that it should continue to function as a joint Institution, embracing India and Pakistan. The Pakistan representative entirely concurred with that view, while India members were also strongly in favour, it being emphasised that such a course would in large measure effectively assist the maintenance of a spirit of comradeship between the ~~two armies~~ armed forces of the Dominions. Admiral Jefford supported the view, adding that they were views widely held among officers of all ranks in the Pakistan ~~xx~~ forces.

3. Financial Implications. The Secretary, having explained the financial position of the Institution, as shown on the attached "Notes on Items on the Agenda", reminded the Council that the Government of India had supported the Institution for over sixty years with an annual grant-in-aid, which for the past 26 years had amounted to Rs.9,000 per annum.

Because of the great rise in printing costs, however, the financial position of the Institution was suffering, and the Council agreed that as the Journal of the Institution had proved

itself to be of immense value to the Armed Forces, members of which were able for a modest subscription to receive a well-produced publication containing much useful information, the time had arrived when it was desirable that the grant-in-aid should be increased, in order that the Institution should be able to continue to assist officers in their profession.

The offer of Pakistan and Indian members of the Council to contact their respective financial authorities was accepted by the President and members. Such practical help, it was felt, would ensure that officers would be able to continue to benefit from the facilities of the Institution.

The Secretary reported that in this connection he had received a large number of letters from Pakistan and Indian members, expressing the hope that the Journal would continue to be published, and that that was clear evidence of the desire among officers that the Institution's work was widely appreciated.

The Secretary was instructed to inquire into the present actuarial position in regard to the Life Membership subscription of Rs.150.

4. Future Membership of the Council. In view of the ~~possible~~ early departure of the President and Vice-Presidents, the Council unanimously elected Major-General Cariappa to be President of the Council, with Captain H. M. S. Choudri, R.P.N., and Air Commodore S. Mukerjee as Vice Presidents. It also recommended that these offices should in future years be held in rotation by the respective Chiefs of Staff of the various Services in the two Dominions.

Thus the ex officio members of Council for this year would be:

President:	Major-General Cariappa.
Vice-Presidents.....	Captain H. M. S. Choudri, R.P.N., Air Commodore S. Mukerjee, RIAF.
Members:	C.O.S., Land Forces, Pakistan C.O.S., Navy, India. S.A.O., R. P. A. F., Secretary, Defence Ministry, India; Secretary, Defence Ministry Pakistan. Sec., External Affairs Ministry, India Sec., External Affairs Ministry, Pakistan.

Elected Members of Council. It was felt that as the departure of many British members of Council would denude the Council of many of its members, it was desirable that Indian and Pakistan members should be co-opted, pending the election of Councillors at the annual election in March, 1948. Invitations were accordingly extended to the following officers to act as co-opted members:

Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst;
A. K. Chanda, Esq.
Colonel B. D. Kapur;
Brigadier P. N. Thapar.

Thus until the next election the elected and co-opted members of the Council would be:

Brigadier H. Bullock;
Major-General G. S. Dhillon;
Major-General S. Greeves;
Philip Mason, Esq.;
~~Lieut. General Sir R. A. Savory;~~
Commander H. G. P. Taylor;
Brigadier S. P.P. Thorat.

Air Commodore A. M. Engineer;
Brigadier A. M. Raza;
~~Air~~
Captain A. Chakravarty R.I.N.

Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst;
A. K Chanda, Esq.;
Colonel B. D. Kapur;
Brigadier P. N. Thapar.

Discussion took place on the system of voting for members of Council, and it was agreed that on general lines all members of the Institution resident in India and Pakistan should have an opportunity of voting for Councillors; that if possible such Council members should be stationed in Delhi or Simla; and that Pakistan officers elected as Councillors could, if unable to attend Council meetings, send their representations to the Secretary for consideration by the Council. This, it was emphasised, was a temporary measure which would assist the newly-organised Council in its endeavours to continue its work; the subject would be again reviewed at a later date.

Another point which would have to be considered later was the fact that the number of ex officio members of Council having greatly increased, it was only right that the number of elected members should also be expanded. (Hitherto the ratio had been five ex officio members to eight elected members). The President expressed the hope that this aspect would be considered by the Council at its next meeting.

It was agreed that, in view of the reconstruction of the constitution of the Council the rules governing the award of the MacGregor Memorial Medal and the Gold Medal Essay Competition would have to be re-cast in regard to the authority recommending the grant of the medal.

5. STAFF.

The Secretary reported that he had been combining the duties of Secretary and Assistant Secretary, but in order that the volume of the work of his successor might be reduced he suggested that the duties of the Assistant Secretary might be combined with those of the Librarian in future. This would involve a redistribution of work among the staff, and as a consequence he proposed that the following scales of pay should become effective as from December 1, 1947:

Editor and Secretary	Rs.250 p.m.
Assist.Secretary/Librarian...	Rs.200 p.m.
Chief Clerk	Rs.180 p.m. * %
Assistant Clerk	Rs. 75 p.m.
Chuprassi s (two)...	Rs. 66 p.m. *

* plus allowances.
% On already sanctioned scale of increment.

The above proposal was agreed to by the Council.

6. SECRETARY. Lieut. Colonel Druett informed the Council that, in common with other British officers, his commission was shortly to be terminated, and that consequently he would be leaving very shortly. The President said members of the Council and of the Institution were most grateful to him for the work he had done for the Institution during the last six years, during which time the Journal had maintained its high standard and had been of great value to officers generally.

It was proposed and seconded, and unanimously agreed, that Lieut. Colonel Piyare Lal be appointed Secretary and Editor, and duly authorised to sign cheques on behalf of the Institution, after the departure of Colonel Druett, and that Messrs. Lloyds Bank, Ltd. Simla, be authorised to accept his signature on behalf of the Institution.

7. OTHER BUSINESS.

The President said that on behalf of those members who would be leaving shortly, he would like to convey thereon their very best wishes to the new President and members of the Council of the Institution. He hoped it would continue to prosper and to carry on the good work it had been doing for the past seventy years.

Major-General Cariappa assured those present that he and his colleagues would do their utmost to justify the confidence placed in them by inviting them to continue the work of the Institution. He and his friends were most grateful to all past and present officers who had worked so hard for the Institution, bringing it to the high standard it had attained among Service Institutions throughout the world.

The President proposed, and Major-General Cariappa seconded, a vote of thanks to the retiring Secretary for his work as Secretary and Editor of the Institution during the past six years, in which period the Institution had achieved much in its reputation among officers of all Services. The proposition was supported by other members and carried unanimously.

It was agreed that a further meeting of the Council should be convened in February, 1948.

E. Ernest, Lieut Col
Secretary.
United Service Institution of India.

Confirmed.

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President,
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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA

NOTES ON ITEMS IN THE AGENDA

1. To review decision at annual Council meeting.

The decision at the annual Council meeting in July was unanimous in favour of the USI of India continuing its service as in the past, after the transfer of power in India. It was also decided that the publication of the USI Journal should continue, and that the facilities of the Institution should continue to be made available to all members in India and Pakistan, as in the past.

The change-over, it was recognised, would necessitate alterations to the Council, to the rules, and to the financial position in regard to the modest assistance the Institution has always received from Government. These changes would obviously not be decided upon without consultation with others, and those present at the annual meeting agreed that another Council meeting should be convened in November, in order that the new Council could be agreed upon, that the rules be brought up to date, and the Institution organised to continue its work under the new auspices.

Several members of the Defence sub-committee of the Armed Forces Reconstruction Committee were present, and in view of their interest in the Institution, and because it was essential that the future of the Institution should be in the hands of its Indian members, it was decided that a number of them should be invited to become co-opted members of the Council - an invitation which all those concerned accepted.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Nil

2. Constitution.

It was agreed at the annual meeting that, pending the decisions of the Special meeting in November, the Council should after August 15, 1947 consist of :

Joint Patrons: The Governors-General of India and Pakistan.

Vice-Patrons : Supreme Commander, Governors of Provinces; Commanders-in-Chief of the various Services in India and Pakistan; the Defence Ministers of India and Pakistan.

Council: Ex Officio Members. Admiral Sir Geoffrey Miles, (President); Air Marshal Walmsley and Lieut-General Sir Arthur Smith, (Joint Vice-Presidents); Chiefs of Staff of the various Services in India and Pakistan; Secretary of Ministry of Defence in India and Pakistan and Secretary, External Affairs Department, India and Pakistan.

Elected Members: As per election in March, 1947

Brigadier H. Bullock, O.B.E.
Brigadier G. S. Dhillon.
Major-General S. Greeves, D.S.O, O.B.E, M.C.
Philip Mason, Esq. C.I.E., O.B.E, I.C.S.
Air Vice-Marshal A.L.A. Perry-Keene, C.B, O.B.E.
Lieut-General Sir ~~Arthur~~ Reginald Savory, KCIE, CB, DSO, MC.
Commander H.G.P. Taylor, R.I.N.
Brigadier S.P.P. Thorat, D.S.O.

Co-opted Members:

Air Commodore S. Mukerjee, O.B.E.
Brigadier A. M. Raza.
Captain H.M.S. Choudri, M.B.E, R.P.N.

Result:

The Secretary conveyed the invitation of the Council to those named above, unless they previously held similar office.

Among the Joint Patrons, the Governor-General of Pakistan felt that he would be in a better position to consider the suggestion of becoming Joint Patron when the future constitution of the Institution was framed at the November meeting.

Among the Vice-Patrons, all accepted the invitation of the Council to become Vice-Patrons except the Governor of Sind, who preferred to await the result of the November meeting, and no reply has been received from the two Defence Ministers. The Governor of U.P. has only just returned, and no reply has been received from him at the moment; it may, however, be in the post.

Among ex-officio members, everything is clear except that, doubtless owing to administrative changes, nothing has been heard from the External Affairs Department.

Suggested Action.

1. Secretary will inform Governor-General of Pakistan of the results and wishes of the Council.

2. Secretary to write again to Defence Ministers, asking if they would kindly communicate their wishes in regard to becoming Vice-Patrons.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS.

Financially, the Institution is sound. It has funds in the neighbour hood of Rs. 1,16,000, and owns the freehold of its headquarter building, the market value of which is now about Rs. 40,000. A copy of last year's accounts appended for information will give a clear picture of the financial position, except that since the end of last year the Institution has paid Rs. 16,000 for the freehold of our HQ building plot. Thus the amount standing under the heading "Property & Assets" in the accounts is reduced by Rs. 16,000.

It may be mentioned that the amount stands at Rs. 16,033 in the accounts; that figure represents the cost of the building originally, less depreciation at 1½% per annum; it does not bear any relation to the present-day value.

Income is derived from the annual subscriptions of members at Rs. 10/- each, and from Life Membership subscriptions of Rs. 150/- from an annual grant-in-aid from Government of Rs. 9,000; from interest on investments; and from advertising space in the Journal.

Details of Membership as at December 31, 1946 were :

Life members	455
Honorary members	5
Ordinary members	2,026
Messes	421
Clubs	31
	2,938

Since that date some 512 new members have been elected.

Comments.

Had disturbances not occurred this year there would have been a record in membership, for up to July 31 no fewer than 473 new members had been added to our roll. It is reasonable to hope that an intensive drive for members will achieve good results immediately the position becomes normal again.

The annual grant-in-aid from Government was instituted in 1883, to help the Institution in its expenses in producing the USI Journal, which from the training angle alone is of great use to officers. In some years the Institution has managed to record a small credit balance, from the beginning of the late war, however, its investments were placed in non-profit bearing Government securities as it was not desired that the financial reserves of the Institution should be built up on the money given to it by Government.

Expenses in production of the USI Journal have, however, risen in recent years, and as the policy has been to give officer members a first-class professional Journal at the minimum cost, no change has been made in membership fees since 1921; indeed, since 1939 it has been lower, for the entrance fee of Rs. 10/- has been waived since that date. It is being re-introduced as from January 1, 1948.

Income from advertisements may increase, as with the now greatly increased reader circle the business-building power of the Journal is correspondingly greater. Advertisers, however, like other people, are careful how they spend their money, and to sell space in the Journal takes time, experience and considerable effort. Last year the Secretary increased the advertisement rates from Rs. 20 to Rs. 80 per page, and income from the advertisements this year should be about four times greater than for 1946. Given the time to carry out the work, even greater results could be achieved. In this connection the Secretary would ask his successor to bear in mind that greater results will be attained by increasing the advertisement rates rather than by lowering them; at Rs. 80 per page the rate is very modest; special rates could be quoted for printing advertisement on immitation art paper, and other methods could be adopted for bringing in increased advertising revenue. Lack of time has been the one drawback in the secretary getting better results; when the secretary made the drive for advertisements in the last quarter for 1946 he was on leave from his official position in G.H.Q.

Suggested Action.

With the change-over of Government the matter of the grant-in-aid will have to be considered. In present circumstances it is essential that the grant be continued for, as explained above, rising costs of production are such that, even if the income from subscriptions is raised, it will be difficult to avoid ending the year with a debit balance.

The Institution has hundreds of members in Pakistan and India, and the number of letters we have received in the past two or three months expressing the hope that the Journal will be continuing are a measure of the standing which it has among officers.

For over seventy years it has been of great use to the Services, and to the professional soldier, sailor or airman; it has kept them up to date in their outlook on military matters, and has done such to foster an inter-service feeling. For a combined grant of Rs. 9,000 annually, both the India and Pakistan Governments would reap a rich reward by deciding to continue the moderate subsidy.

It is suggested that the meeting resolves that an approach be made to the financial officers of both Governments, with the request that the grant-in-aid be continued as a joint measure.

4. Future Membership of the Council.

Joint Patrons, Vice-Patrons, and ex officio members have been decided upon. There remains the Presidency and the election of elected members.

Presidency. It is suggested that this should be held in annual rotation by the respective Chiefs of Staff. Thus, first would be the

Chief of Staff, Land Forces, India; second Chief of Staff, Land Forces, Pakistan; Chief of Staff, Naval, India; Chief of Staff, Naval, Pakistan; S.O.A. Air, India; S.O.A. Air, Pakistan.

Election of Elected Members.

Rules governing the election of members to the Council will have to be re-cast. At present the elections take place in March, members being elected from among those stationed in Delhi or Simla. Only one meeting takes place annually, and it is clearly to the advantage of the Institution if its Council members reside in either of those two places. It may be felt that it would be better if all members resident in India and Pakistan be given the opportunity to record their vote (at present only members resident in Delhi or Simla may vote). If that is decided upon a simple method could be devised to act upon it.

Because the majority of elected members are British officers, who may be leaving very soon, it was agreed at the July meeting that some Indian and Pakistan members should be co-opted to the Council, but circumstances which have arisen since then may make it desirable that more Indian and Pakistan members should be co-opted. Nominations could perhaps be made at this November meeting.

Hitherto there have been five ex officio members, and eight elected members. Presumably this was ordained so that the elected members should be in the majority.

greatly outnumber the elected members
Now, however, the ex officio members and most officers are duplicated. Perhaps a little later that point could be considered and the number of elected members increased. If it is anticipated that that will be done the alterations in the rules must be postponed for a little while, for that change must be included.

Executive Committee.

An Executive Committee is selected from the members of the Council to handle routine administrative matters brought forward by the Secretary, and to make recommendation to the Council whenever necessary.

In view of the fact that European members may disappear from the Council in the near future, the annual meeting decided to form the Executive Committee with Indian and Pakistan members. There is therefore no need to take any action in regard to the Executive Committee, which is composed of :-

Brigadier G. S. Dhillon (Chairman)
Brigadier S.P.P. Thorat, D.S.O.
Air Commodore S. Mukerjee, O.B.E.
Brigadier A. M. Raza,
Captain H.M.S. Choudri, M.B.E., R.P.N.

MacGregor Memorial Medal and Gold Medal Essay Competition.

The rules governing the award of the above are set out in the book of rules of the Institution. Under its new arrangement, the Council will have to authorise certain changes in phraseology as set out in the rules.

6. Staff.

As the present editor and secretary is leaving India shortly, Colonel L. P. Sen, D.S.O. has volunteered to succeed him. In the circumstances it will be necessary to reorganise the staff, for the present editor, having spent twenty years in civilian life in similar work, has been able to cope with the task, and since the Assistant Secretary left has managed to avoid appointing someone in his place.

2nd April 1948.

Below are details which will show the suggested reorganisation, and which in fact represents an annual saving of Rs.2,364 to the Institution.

		NOW p.m.	FUTURE p.m.
Editor & Secretary	...	Rs. 250	Rs. 250
Assistant Secretary	...	" 150	" 200
Librarian	...	" 200 115*	" -
Chief Clerk	...	" 150 99*	" 180 112*
Assistant Clerk	...	" 50	" 75
Chaprassies (two)	...	" 66 75*	" 66 75*
		Rs. 1,155	Rs. 958

The suggested increase in regard to the Chief Clerk is made because of the additional responsibilities he will have to accept.

The assistant clerk will shortly be leaving, and the new incumbent will require Rs. 75 inclusive.

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* Represents allowances on the scale sanctioned by GHQ to their staff.

The allowance figures in the above list are the winter allowances, the summer allowances, which cover seven months are lower than the amounts listed above. The net savings is therefore in actual fact greater than Rs. 2,364 as stated above.

UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA

The United Service Institution of India was established in 1870 with the object of "furtherance of interest and knowledge in the art, science, and literature of the Defence Services".

Its Quarterly Journal has kept officer members fully up-to-date with knowledge concerning the Fighting Services and allied subjects; it has provided members with a periodical through which they can express their views. Thus from official and member angle it has performed an eminently useful public service of India and its Defence forces.

Records of India's achievements form part of her national heritage, and in exhibiting relics and trophies of the past the Institution has preserved much that is of value, not merely to the military students and relatives of members, but also to the country as a whole.

Every country in the world seeks to foster interest in military science in this fashion, though naturally some have greater scope and utilise more ambitious methods than others. The United Service Institution of India, however, has expanded more on the quality and contents of its Journal, which has attained a high standard among Service journals throughout the world. In Military Academies in England, America, Canada, Australia and New Zealand and other countries, articles in the USI Journal are closely studied.

Its semi-official character is of great value from every angle. From the members point of view it enables the most junior officer to express his opinions - provided they are sensibly expressed and are not subversive; from the military aspect it widens knowledge and helps to keep officers interested in their career, for articles in the Journal seek to cover the vast field of subjects which concern the Fighting Forces. Light and serious articles are to be found in every issue of the Journal, so that the incentive to read it from cover to cover is there.

MEMBERSHIP.

Up to about rwo years ago its membership was composed almost entirely of British officers, but since 1945 many Indian officers have become members and every day more and more are joining. Since January 1947 we have enrolled over 500 new members, 95% of whom are Indian officers. At present roughly a quarter of the total membership is Indian, 68 Indian officers being Life Members.

For 1946, the last complete year it was calculated that the reader circle of the Journal number 6,500. With the run down in the Forces, of course, that figure is also smaller, but it can safely be said that the vast majority of officers read it when it is available in Messes.

GENERAL.

Politics are, of course, strictly taboo in the Institution, and in the Journal, and though India will now have two Defence Forces, both India and Pakistan would undoubtedly derive immense benefit from a Journal run by a combination of the Defence Leaders of both countries, with a Secretary and Editor who would be entirely unbiassed and bear equal interest in both countries.

The USI Journal has established itself so firm among officers of the Forces in India and Pakistan, its authoritative articles have won for much wide confidence, that members of all races, judging by correspondence received, are at one in desiring its continuance, simply and solely because of its vabue to those in the military profession. As other professions have their professional Journal to keep its members up-to-date, so the USI Journal is recognised as the Journal for professional soldiers in India and Pakistan.

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Lieut.

April 1948.

THE UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTION OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN.

Agenda for a Special Meeting of the Council to be held in the Ministry of Defence Committee Room (next to G.H.Q. Library), South Block, G.H.Q., New Delhi at 5 p.m. on Monday, ~~31st May~~ 8th June, 1948.

1. To read the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Friday, 14th November 1947.

2. To confirm the appointment of Lieut-Colonel D. Eve as Secretary and Editor of the Institution w.e.f. 19th December 1947 and to consider the appointment of Lieut. K.V. Cherian, R.I.N.V.R. as Assistant Secretary w.e.f. 23rd April, 1948.

3. To consider whether the present Council should remain in office until the 1949 elections.

4. To decide on a date for the annual General Meeting of the Council for 1948.

5. To consider the draft of the amended Rules and Byelaws of the Institution.

6. To consider the question of grants-in-aid from India and Pakistan.

7. To consider moving the U.S.I. from Simla to Delhi.

8. To consider any other business.

THE UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTION OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council held in the Ministry of Defence Committee Room, South Block, New Delhi, on Tuesday, 8th June 1948 at 5 P.M.

PRESENT:-

Lieut.-General K.M. Cariappa, O.B.E. (President).
Air Vice-Marshal S. Mukerjee, O.B.E. (Vice-President).
Major-General N.A.M. Raza.
K.P.S. Menon, Esq., I.C.S.
Brigadier H. Bullock, C.I.E., O.B.E.
Commodore A. Chakraverti, R.I.N.
Air Commodore A.M. Engineer, D.F.C.
Lieut.-Colonel Denis Eve (Secretary).
Lieut. K.V. Cherian, RINVR. (Assistant Secretary).

1. MINUTES.

The minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Friday, 14th November 1947, which had already been confirmed, were discussed.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

(a) The Secretary reported that H.E. the Governor-General of Pakistan had stated that he did not wish to become Joint Patron of the Institution.

(b) The two Defence Ministers in India and Pakistan and the Secretaries of the Ministries of Defence and External Affairs, Pakistan, had not replied to letters inviting them to become Vice-Patrons and ex-officio members respectively. The Secretary was asked to send reminders to these gentlemen and if no replies were received, he was to inform the President who would write to them personally.

(c) In view of a report received from the Assistant Superintendent of Insurance, Government of India, regarding the actuarial position of the Life Membership subscription of Rs. 150, it was decided not to increase it at present.

3. SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

(a) The Council confirmed the appointment of Lieut.-Colonel D. Eve as Secretary and Editor w.e.f. 19th December 1947, and of Lieut. K.V. Cherian, RINVR as Assistant Secretary w.e.f. 23rd April 1948.

(b) General Raza said that he would endeavour to find a Joint Secretary (Honorary) resident in Pakistan who would stimulate membership of the U.S.I. in that Dominion.

4. COUNCIL.

The Council recognised that the abnormal conditions created by the constitutional changes had made it impossible to hold the election of a new Council in March 1948. As the Institution's own constitution was being revised, a draft of which has already been circulated to members of the Council, the Council agreed that it would be advisable to postpone the election until March 1949. The present Council would therefore remain in office until March 1949.

5. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

It was decided that the Annual General Meeting of the Council should be held on Monday, 1st November 1948 at 3 p.m.

6. RULES AND BYELAWS.

Members of the Council were requested to consider the draft of the amended Rules and Byelaws of the Institution and send any comments they might have to reach the Secretary by the 25th June 1948. These comments would be incorporated and the final draft sent to the President for approval before printing.

7. GRANT-IN-AID.

The Rs. 9,000 annual grant-in-aid from the Government of India towards the cost of printing of the U.S.I. Journal was now inadequate. A minimum of Rs. 20,000 per annum was necessary if the finances of the Institution were not to suffer further loss. It was decided to ask the Government of India to increase the annual grant-in-aid from Rs. 9,000 to Rs. 13,500, and to ask the Government of Pakistan to provide Rs. 6,500 per annum.

8. MOVE TO DELHI.

The Council agreed that the U.S.I. should move to Delhi as soon as possible but no move would take place until suitable, permanent accommodation could be found. The Secretary was asked to explore the possibility of accommodation in Government House and in the houses on Government House Estate. It was decided that 4 rooms and the necessary offices would be required. Mr. K.P.S. Menon said that he would do all he could to assist.

9. GOLD MEDAL ESSAY.

In view of the fact that no entries had been received for the 1947/48 Competition and that the subject "Are Officers' Messes Suitable for Indian Conditions" was such an important one, it was decided that the closing date of the Competition should be extended until the 1st November 1948.

10. OTHER BUSINESS.

The President directed that the special payment of Rs. 750 made to Lieut.-Colonel H.C. Druett, former Secretary and Editor of the U.S.I., for his services to the Institution from 6th May 1942 to 18th December 1947 should be recorded in the minutes.

Date 1 Nov 48

Lieut.-General,
President,
The United Services Institution of India & Pakistan.

THE UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTION OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN.

AGENDA for a meeting of the Executive Committee to be held in ~~Major-General~~ Dhillon's room, Army Headquarters, New Delhi at 3 P.M. on Friday, 29th October 1948.

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1. To confirm minutes of Executive Committee meeting held on 25th July 1947.

2. Report of Progress of Institution during 1947/48.

3. To consider Auditors' report for 1947.

4. To consider Budget for 1948.

5. To consider recommendations for a subject for the Gold Medal Essay Competition 1948/49.

6. Defaulting members.

7. To discuss pay and composition of staff.

8. To consider any other business.

THE UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTION OF INDIA & PAKISTAN

Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee held in Major-General Dhillon's room, Army Headquarters, New Delhi, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday 29th October 1948.

PRESENT:-

Major-General G.S. Dhillon (Chairman)
Commodore A. Chakraverti, RIN
Lieut. K.V. Cherian, RINVR (Secretary)

The Chairman agreed to continue the meeting in the absence of Air Vice-Marshal S. Mukerjee.

1. MINUTES

The Minutes of the last Executive Committee Meeting held on 25th July 1947 were read and confirmed.

2. PROGRESS REPORT

The Secretary gave a report of the progress of the Institution for 1947 as well as for the period January to October in 1948.

In 1947 some 531 new members and messes were enrolled, while resignations and deaths of members and disbandment of units resulted in a loss of members and subscribers numbering 396, leaving a net increase of 135. A decrease in life membership of 59 was attributed to casualties during the war years which were not received at the time.

From 1st January to 18th October 1948 the number of members, messes and clubs enrolled was 538. During this period 54 messes and clubs discontinued due to disbandment of units, and deaths and resignations (majority resigning w.e.f. 1/1/1949) accounted for a further loss of 135. This left a net increase of 349. Life memberships issued during this period were 61.

The Committee felt that the progress shown was quite satisfactory.

3. AUDITORS' REPORT

The Auditors' Report for 1947 was examined and approved.

4. BUDGET

A statement showing the anticipated income and expenditure for 1948 was submitted by the Secretary and approved.

5. GOLD MEDAL ESSAY COMPETITION

The Committee decided that the choice of the subject for the 1949 competition should be referred to the Council Meeting to be held on 1st November 1948.

6. DEFAULTING MEMBERS

The Secretary reported that due to rapid demobilisation and the departure of many British officers during the previous two years, the figures for arrears of subscription for 1946 and 1947 were abnormal. He submitted a list of 209 members in arrears (86 for 1946 and 123 for 1947), from whom there had been no response to reminders. The Committee felt that there would be no point in keeping demobilised or repatriated officers on the arrears list and decided to write off the amounts, totalling about Rs 2090, standing against their names.

7. CLERICAL STAFF

The Secretary reported that with the retirement of the full-time librarian towards the end of 1947, that post had been combined with that of the Assistant Secretary. This arrangement was tried for four months and had to be given up. The Committee thereupon sanctioned the post of a permanent full-time librarian in the scale of Rs 100-10-200 per mensem, and authorised the Secretary to look for a suitable incumbent to be approved by the Committee.

The Committee also approved of the revised scale of Rs 210-10-300 given to the Chief Clerk, Mr. Bedi, w.e.f. 1st August 1948, and decided that the pay of the Assistant Clerk, Mr. Sharma, should be in the scale of a lower division clerk in G.H.Q., i.e. Rs 55-5-120. Mr. Sharma on completing one year's service on 1st December 1948 was to be put on this new scale and his appointment confirmed.

The revised scales to be as follows:-

Chief Clerk (Mr. Bedi)	-- Rs 210*-10-300 p.m.
Librarian (To be appointed)	-- Rs 100*-10-200 p.m.
Assistant Clerk (Mr. Sharma)	-- Rs 55*%-5-120 p.m.
Two Chaprassis (1. Nafru - Rs 36/-; 2. Ram Pratap - Rs 34/-)	-- Rs 70 p.m.

* Plus allowances as sanctioned by G.H.Q. to their staff.
% Appointment of Mr. Sharma confirmed from 1/12/1948 and Provident Fund benefits permitted from the same date.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee approved of the employment of Miss Mitchell as a temporary librarian for three months from 1st April 1948.

The Committee approved of the payment of an honorarium of Rs 75/- p.m. for four months to Mr. S.L. Tandon who was engaged in re-classifying and re-cataloguing the library, as a preliminary to the preparation of a new catalogue. Mr. Tandon, if he was able to attend to the proofs and generally supervise the production of the catalogue in the printing stage, was to be paid a further sum of Rs 200 when the work was completed.

The Secretary was authorised to proceed with arrangements for printing the new catalogue.

Confirmed
A.V.M.
26.10.48

Major-General,
Chairman, Executive Committee,
2/7/1949.

THE UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTION OF INDIA, NEW DELHI.

FORECAST OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR 1948.

RECEIPTS.

	Anticipated 1948	Actual 1947
Subscriptions.	Rs. 37,000	(31,074)
Interest on Investments.	" 3,000	(3,313)
Sale of Catalogues.	" 100	(70)
Sale of Journals.	" 400	(398)
Advertisements in Journal.	" 3,500)	(4,327)
Government Grant-in-Aid.	" 6,000	(9,000)
	Rs. 50,000	

EXPENDITURE.

	Anticipated 1948	Actual 1947
Office Establishment.	Rs. 11,500	(12,232)
Provident Fund (contributions and interest)	" 350	(1,566)
Gratuity to Peons.	" 70	(71)
Office Contingencies.	" 1,000	(765)
Printing & Stationery.	" 1,000	(953)
Purchase of new books for Library.	" 900	(770)
Purchase of Periodicals.	" 400	(797)
Repairs to Building.	" 200	(685)
Journal Printing etc.	" 22,000	(20,486)
Journal - Premia.	" 3,500	(6,869)
Journal - Postage & Freight.	" 2,500	(3,032)
Postage, Telegrams and Telephone.	" 1,800	(1,718)
Prize Essay Competition.	" 900	(464)
Electricity.	" 400	(278)
Exchange on Cheques and Bank Charges.	" 200	(209)
Insurance, Rent & Taxes.	" 500	(543)
Audit Fee.	" 300	(300)
Depreciation.	" 1,300	(1,226)
	Rs. 48,620	
	1,180	
	Rs. 50,000	

THE UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTION OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN.

AGENDA for the Annual Council Meeting to be held in the Ministry of Defence Committee Room (next to GHQ Library) South Block, New Delhi, at 3 P.M. on Monday, 1st November, 1948.

1. To read and confirm the Minutes of the Special Council meeting held on 8th June 1948.
2. To receive the report of the President for 1947.
3. To consider, and if thought fit, approve the statement of accounts and auditors' report for 1947.
4. To discuss and decide upon a subject for the Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1948/49. (Any suggestions which members of the Council might wish to make will be welcomed).
5. To select and appoint three Judges for the 1947/48 Essay Competition. (Seven entries have been received; the subject of the competition was "Are Officers' Messes Suitable for Indian Conditions".)
6. To elect a Chairman and four members of the Council to the Executive Committee 1948/49.
7. To confirm the appointment of the new Secretary and Editor, w.e.f. 1st September 1948.
8. To receive apologies for absence.
9. To consider any other business.

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THE UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTION OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN

Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held in the Ministry of Defence Committee Room, South Block, New Delhi, on Monday 1st November 1948, at 3 P.M.

PRESENT:-

Lieut.-General K.M. Cariappa, OBE. (President)
Air Vice-Marshal S. Mukerjee, CBE. (Vice-President)
Major-General G.S. Dhillon.
Commodore A. Chakraverti, RIN.
Brigadier H. Bullock, CIE, OBE.
Lieutenant K.V. Cherian, RINVR. (Secretary)

1. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 8th June 1948, were read and confirmed.

2. MATTERS ARISING

The President remarked that he had been given to understand that the Pakistan Government had bidden their officers not to accept office in the Council or Committee of the U.S.I., but that they could continue as ordinary members. He had written to General Raza for confirmation, or otherwise, on this point.

The President informed the Members that as the Government of India had given us only two-thirds (i.e. Rs. 6,000) of the former grant of Rs. 9,000, he had written to the Pakistan Government requesting them to provide the remaining one-third. A reply was awaited.

The question of an increase in the grant could not be taken up until it was definitely known if Pakistan will support the Institution financially. It was agreed that the matter should be deferred until (a) a reply is received from General Raza; (b) the Pakistan Government's reactions to our request for financial aid are known.

Brigadier Bullock suggested that a Special Meeting of the Council should be called when the President has had replies to the above-mentioned letters.

The President said that in spite of the efforts made by Mr. K.P.S. Menon, it was not possible to secure suitable accommodation for the U.S.I. in rooms at the Government House in New Delhi. He felt it would be inadvisable to shift the Institution from its own first-class premises in Simla in the absence of equally good accommodation in Delhi, and suggested that the move be deferred so as to allow time for things in general to settle down. This was agreed to.

3. RESIGNATION FROM THE COUNCIL.

The Council accepted the resignation of Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst in view of the fact he is also ex-officio vice-patron of the Institution.

4. SUBJECT FOR THE GOLD MEDAL ESSAY COMPETITION FOR 1949

The following subject was selected for the Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1949:-

"In time of peace the task of a Unit Commander of any Armed Force to lead, train, keep up morale and command his unit is more difficult than in time of war, when there is usually a clear object before him and his men. What

are the qualities required of a successful Unit Commander and how can we best ensure that our officers are trained in leadership in order that they may become both good commanders and good leaders?"

(The President, General Cariappa, who had another important engagement left the meeting at this stage and the Chair was taken by the Vice-President, Air Vice-Marshal Mukerjee).

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President's Report for 1947 was received.

The Council expressed the view that the progress possible in such a difficult year was due to the keen personal interest taken by the President, General Cariappa, whose efforts should be gratefully recorded.

6. ACCOUNTS

The Statement of Accounts and Auditors' Report for 1947, which had been examined by the Executive Committee, were approved.

7. JUDGES FOR ESSAY COMPETITION

The Council invited the following to act as judges for the Gold Medal Essay Competition 1947-48, the subject for which was "Are Officers' Messes Suitable for Indian Conditions?"

Major-General G.S. Dhillon
Commodore A. Chakraverti, RIN
Air Commodore D.A.R. Nanda, RIAF

8. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

In view of the fact that the life of the present Council has been extended till after the 1949 elections, it was decided that the present Executive Committee will also remain in being for the same period.

9. SECRETARY & EDITOR

The Council confirmed the appointment of Lieutenant K.V. Cherian, RINVR as Secretary and Editor w.e.f. 1st September 1948, also authorising him to operate the bank accounts of the Institution.

10. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for inability to attend the Meeting were received from K.P.S. Menon, Esq., Lieut.-General R.C. McCay, Major-General S.P.P. Thorat, Commodore H.M.S. Choudri RPN, Brigadier B.D. Kapur, and Colonel Iskander Mirza.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

It was decided that a cable should be sent to General Sir William Slim (a former secretary and editor of the Institution) congratulating him on his appointment as Chief of the Imperial General Staff.

It was agreed that a Special Meeting of the Council should be held in the first week of January to consider replies from Pakistan (para 2 above refers), to consider the necessity for an increase in the Government grant, and

to finalise the draft of the amended Rules and Bye-laws.

The Secretary was directed to write a personal letter to Admiral Jefford to ascertain if any official support from Pakistan will be forthcoming. (Minutes of the Special Council Meeting in November 1947 refers).

The Secretary was asked to find out if there would be any substantial saving if the Institution discontinued the practice of paying postage for library books one way on despatch to borrowers.

The Secretary reported that the appointment of a full-time Assistant Secretary and Librarian on a salary of Rs. 200/- p.m. which was sanctioned in November 1947, was given up from 1st April 1948. From that date there had been a reversion to previous practice of having a part-time Assistant Secretary on lesser pay and a separate Librarian. This was approved.

Date 26 Jan 49

General,
President,
The United Services Institution of India & Pakistan.

THE UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTION OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 1947.

GENERAL.

The year 1947 was marked by two distinct phases in the life of this Institution. While the first half of the year was normal, the second half saw changes consequent on the constitutional changes in the Indian Sub-Continent. As a result the decision was made to carry on this seventy-seven year old Institution for the joint benefit of India and Pakistan, while at the same time its governance was transferred to nationals of this sub-continent by co-opting more Indian and Pakistani officers to the Council, and electing an Indian as President for the first time.

It was straightaway realised by the Council that with the inevitable departure of many British Officers, an intensive "drive" must be made to enrol more Indian and Pakistani officers as members. This work was taken in hand and it is gratifying to report that results were encouraging from the very beginning. This drive was continued with even more vigour in 1948 but that will have to wait until the next annual report. What need be stressed here is that the growing interest reflected in its increasing membership amply proves that the future of the Institution is assured.

MEMBERSHIP.

During the year 531 new members and messes were enrolled. (Between 1st January and 18th October 1948, a further 538 new members and messes have joined, details of which are given in separate sheet). These are nearly all from India and Pakistan.

The continued reduction in strength of the armed forces, the closing down of a number of messes and the departure of many British Officers have deprived us of a number of former subscribers. Hence the net increase for the 12 months ending 31st December 1947 is only 135.

The increases under the various categories were as follows:-

	Dec. 31,1946.	Dec. 31,1947.
Life Members.	455	396
Ordinary Members.	2,026	2,279
Non-Voting Members.	5	7
Messes.	421	361
Clubs.	31	30
	2,938	3,073

FINANCE.

The Auditors' Report is laid before members of the Council and the Statement of Accounts is also before you. A copy has been issued to all Members of the Institution. The Auditors' Report certifies that the Balance Sheet has been compiled from the books of the Institution, and correctly exhibits the state of affairs of the Institution.

Income during the year amounted to Rs. 48,044, compared with Rs. 45,258 during 1946. Rising costs of production of the Journal were mainly responsible for an increase in expenditure from Rs. 45,458 to Rs. 52,280.

Statement of income for the year shows that subscriptions increased by Rs. 2,896 (due to increased membership in the year under review); advertisements in the Journal increased by

Rs. 3,093, compared with Rs. 1,234 total receipts under this head in 1946. Interest on investments showed an increase of Rs. 566.

On the expenditure side the chief increase occurred in the production of the U.S.I. Journal, the cost of printing of which increased by Rs. 4,903, authors' fee by Rs. 420 and postage by Rs. 787. This increase was consequent on the bigger size of the Journal, the larger number of contributors and greater number of members to whom copies were sent. It must be pointed out here that though printing charges are everywhere much greater than before the war and the paper costs have risen, there has been no increase in our subscription rates since 1921. The Institution has been receiving a grant of Rs. 9,000 since 1928 towards the cost of printing the Journal. This grant has not increased though the printing charges have now more than doubled, being more than Rs. 20,000 for 1947.

Contribution to employees provident fund has risen by Rs. 985. A sum of Rs. 1,000 was donated to the Librarian as passage money on leaving the Institution after 21 years' service. Printing and stationery charges are higher by Rs. 204, and postage and telegraph charges have risen by Rs. 710, due to the propaganda "drive". Telephone charges are now shown under postage and telegraph charges instead of under contingencies as in previous years.

The financial position of the Institution shows that investments stand at Rs. 83,409, the market value as per certificate from Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, being Rs. 81,927. Cash balances on 31st December 1947 amounted to Rs. 23,141. The book value of the land, building, library, furniture and fittings and trophies amounts to Rs. 50,519. Other sundry assets amount to Rs. 4,732.

Liabilities include Rs. 16,033 made up of employees' provident fund (Rs. 2,283); gratuity to peons (Rs. 990); and bills unpaid (Rs. 9,791) (Rs. 9,529 printing and postage of July and October issues of the Journal; Rs. 162 for electricity and Rs. 300 audit fee).

HEADQUARTERS BUILDING.

The freehold of the plot on which the U.S.I. building stands has been purchased from the United Service Club for Rs. 16,000. The market value of the land and building will be about three times the book value.

LIBRARY.

This is a first class military reference library and books continue to be in great demand by officers of the armed forces in India and Pakistan. It is also proving of increasing value to officers of the Combined Inter-Services Historical Section (India and Pakistan) for reference and research in the task of writing the official history of World War II.

JOURNAL.

The standard of excellence of the Journal has been maintained. During the latter half of the year communication difficulties with Lahore caused unavoidable delay in the October 1947 issue which reached the readers sometime in the beginning of 1948. This has upset the time-table for the production of subsequent issues. It continues however to be of real value to officers.

GOLD MEDAL COMPETITION.

The subject for the Gold Medal Essay for 1946-47 was

"Man Management" and entries closed on 30th June 1947. The Judges recommended the award of the Gold Medal, with an additional monetary award of Rs. 200, to Colonel C.W. Morton, M.C., and Rs. 150 to the runner-up, Lieut.Colonel W.G. Mason.

The Council is most grateful to Major-General S.P.P. Thorat, DSO, Air Commodore M.K. Janjua, RPAF, and Commander (E)H.G.P. Taylor, RN, for acting as Judges in the competition.

MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL.

I should like to record the thanks of the Institution to the past members of the Council from whom we have taken over. We deeply appreciate their services in assisting the growth of the Institution to what it is today.

THE UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTION OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN,
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Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1947.

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Balance Sheet as

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
CAPITAL—						
As at 1st January 1947	1,49,992	6	1			
Less—Deficit for the year ended 31st December 1947 as per Revenue Account ..	4,224	10	0	1,45,767	12	1
EMPLOYEES' PROVIDENT FUND				2,283	0	0
PEONS' GRATUITY FUND				990	0	0
LIABILITIES :—						
For Electricity	161	11	0			
For Audit Fee	300	0	0			
For Journal Printing	7,986	15	9			
For Journal Postage	1,342	0	9	9,790	11	6
MEMBERS AT CREDIT				2,969	8	0

Examined and found correct in accordance with the books and information supplied.

AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants, Auditors.

Total Rs. 1,61,800 15 7

SIMLA:
8th April, 1948.

OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN, SIMLA.
at 31st December, 1947.

PROPERTY AND ASSETS	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
LAND AT COST	..	16,631 0 0
BUILDINGS :—		
As at 1st January 1947	16,033 0 0	
Less—Depreciation @ 1½%	240 0 0	15,793 0 0
LIBRARY BOOKS :—		
As at 1st January 1947	9,200 0 0	
Additions during the year	769 11 1	
	9,969 11 1	
Less—Depreciation @ 5% on opening balance	460 0 0	
Depreciation @ 50% on additions ..	384 0 0	9,124 14 1
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS :—		
As at 1st January 1947	2,050 0 0	
Less—Sales during the year	10 0 0	
	2,040 0 0	
Less—Depreciation @ 6%	122 0 0	1,918 0 0
MAGIC LANTERN :—		
As at 1st January 1947	276 0 0	
Less—Depreciation @ 7½%	20 0 0	256 0 0
PICTURES AND SCULPTURES :—		
As at 1st January, 1947		3,682 5 8
MEDALS AND TROPHIES :—		
As at 1st January 1947		3,113 8 3
SUBSCRIBERS AT DEBIT		3,359 8 0
ADVERTISERS AT DEBIT		1,118 3 0
INVESTMENTS—(In safe custody with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla).		
Rs. 3,000/- 4% Bombay Port Trust Debentures at Rs. 90/-	2,700 0 0	
Rs. 8,000/- 4% 1960/70 Loan @ Rs. 103/- ..	8,240 0 0	
Rs. 5,000/- 4% 1960/70 Loan @ Rs. 107/- ..	5,350 0 0	
Rs. 12,400/- 2¾% 1962 Loan @ Rs. 101/-/4 ..	12,526 8 0	
Rs. 10,000/- 4½% 1955/60 Loan @ Rs. 120/- ..	12,000 0 0	
Rs. 8,000/- 3% Conversion Loan 1946 @ Rs. 94/11	7,575 0 0	
Rs. 15,500/- 3% 1963/65 Loan @ Rs. 98/- ..	15,190 0 0	
Rs. 15,000/- 3% 1970/75 Loan @ Rs. 105/5 ..	15,796 14 0	
Rs. 4,000/- 3% 1949/52 Loan @ Rs. 100/12/5 ..	4,030 15 9	
		83,409 5 9
PREPAID EXPENSES		132 0 0
LIBRARY CATALOGUES :—		
As at 1st January 1947	192 8 0	
Less—Sales during the year	70 0 0	122 8 0
CASH AND OTHER BALANCES :—		
Balance with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., London ..	95 0 9	
Balance with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla ..		
In current account	9,320 2 1	
In savings account	10,280 12 0	
Balance with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla, in savings account (Employees' Provident Fund and Peons' Gratuity Fund)	3,273 0 0	
Cash on hand	171 12 0	
		23,140 10 10
Total Rs. ..		1,61,800 15 7

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INDIA AND PAKISTAN, SIMLA.

led 31st December, 1947.

		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Government Grant	.. ..				9,000	0	0
Members' Subscriptions	.. ..				26,694	7	0
Life Subscriptions	.. ..				4,380	0	0
Sale of Journals	.. ..				397	15	0
Advertisements in Journals	.. ..	4,483	10	9			
Less—Commission paid	.. ..	156	12	0	4,326	14	9
terest on Investments	.. ..				3,024	0	0
Other Interest	.. ..				188	15	0
Recoveries on Books Lost	.. ..				32	7	0
Balance being Deficit transferred to Balance Sheet	..				4,224	10	0
Total Rs.	..				52,269	4	9

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Balance Sheet as at

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance of Fund :—			
As at 1st January 1947 ..	6,445	13	1
Add—Excess of Interest collected over expenditure	174	0	0
	6,619	13	1

Cash Account for the year

	Rs.	A.	P.
To Balance on 1st January 1947 with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla in Current Account	1,408	13	1
„ Interest on Investments	231	0	0
Total Rs. ..	1,639	13	

SIMLA:
8th April, 1948.

OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN, SIMLA.

MEMORIAL FUND).

31*st December*, 1947.

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Investments (in safe custody with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla):—						
Rs. 6,300/- 3% Government Loan of 1946 @ Rs. 58 (approx.)	3,658	0	0			
Rs. 1,400/- 3% 1963/65 Loan @ Rs. 98/- ..	1,379	0	0	5,037	0	0
Balance with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla ..				1,582	13	1
				6,619	13	1

ended 31*st December*, 1947.

	Rs.	A.	P.
By Bank Charges	2	0	0
„ Cost of Medal awarded to Col. A. S. Lancaster, C.I.E., O.B.E. ..	55	0	0
Balance in Current Account with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla	1,582	13	1
Total Rs. ..	1,639	13	1

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As it was now known that no financial aid from Pakistan was to be expected, the Council agreed that the Government of India should be approached for an increase in the annual grant-in-aid to Rs 20,000 (Minutes of the Special

UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTION OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN.

Agenda for a Special Meeting of the Council to be held in the Ministry of Defence Committee Room (M of D Library), South Block, New Delhi at 3 P.M. on Tuesday 29th March, 1949.

1. To read and confirm the Minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on 1st November, 1948.

2. To consider the composition of the Council in view of the Pakistan Government's decision that their officers cannot serve on the governing body of the Institution.

3. To consider the question of an increase in the Government Grant-in-Aid to the Institution.

4. To consider amendments to the Rules & Byelaws of the Institution.

5. To consider the procedure for the next Annual Elections to the Council of the Institution.

6. To confirm the recommendations of the Judges for the 1947/48 Gold Medal Essay Competition.

7. To confirm the appointment of the Assistant Secretary w.e.f. 7/1/49.

8. To consider any other business.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA

Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held in the Ministry of Defence Committee Room, South Block, New Delhi, on Tuesday 29th March 1949 at 2.30 p.m.

PRESENT:-

General K.M. Cariappa, OBE (President)
Air Vice-Marshal S. Mukerjee, OBE (Vice-President)
Major-General P.N. Thapar
Commodore H. Drew, CBE, DSC, RN
Brigadier B.D. Kapur
Air Commodore A.M. Engineer, DFC
Lieut.-Commander K.V. Cherian, RINVR (Secretary)

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1. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on Monday, 1st November 1948, were read and confirmed.

2. COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL

The President read out letters received from the Pakistan External Affairs Ministry and General Gracey, C-in-C of the Pakistan Army, stating that the Pakistan Government could not be officially associated with the Institution, and that Pakistan officers were not allowed to be office-bearers of the U.S.I., although they were permitted to be ordinary members. He regretted that in view of this it would no longer be possible to maintain the joint character of the Institution, and that in deference to the wishes of the Pakistan Government it was necessary to drop the names of Pakistan members from the Council and Committee of the U.S.I., and also to revert to the old title of the Institution. This was agreed to by the Council.

3. GENERAL CARIAPPA

General Cariappa, who had been the President of the Institution since November 1947, thanked the Members of the Council and the Secretary for their co-operation during his term of office. He said the Vice-President would now take over from him, and invited Air Vice-Marshal Mukerjee to take the Chair.

(General Cariappa left the Meeting, and the Chair was taken by Air Vice-Marshal Mukerjee).

The Council unanimously passed a vote of thanks to the retiring President who had guided the Institution during a particularly difficult period of its existence.

4. GRANT-IN-AID

As it was now known that no financial aid from Pakistan was to be expected, the Council agreed that the Government of India should be approached for an increase in the annual grant-in-aid to Rs 20,000 (Minutes of the Special

Council Meeting in June 1948 and of the Annual Council Meeting in November 1948 refer).

5. RULES AND BYE-LAWS

The Council examined the existing Rules and Bye-laws (printed in 1938) with a view to bringing this up-to-date.

Amendments as per annexure "A" were unanimously agreed upon.

6. ANNUAL ELECTIONS

It was agreed that elections to the new Council should be held under the amended Rules, except that elections for 1949 will begin in April instead of March.

7. GOLD MEDAL ESSAY COMPETITION 1947/48

The Council endorsed the majority recommendation of the Judges, and decided to award cash prizes only as follows:-

First Prize	-	Lt.-Col. D.K. Palit	- Rs 250
Second Prize	-	F/Lt. B.K. Roy	- Rs 150

It was also agreed that the winning essays should be published in the Journal.

8. ASSISTANT SECRETARY

The appointment of Major P.C. Bharucha as Assistant Secretary w.e.f. 7.1.49 was confirmed.

9. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from H.M. Patel Esq.; K.P.S. Menon Esq., Major-General G.S. Dhillon, Major-General S.P.P. Thorat and Brigadier H. Bullock.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

The Secretary was authorised to continue the present practice of issuing library books to members resident in Pakistan until further instructions.

Vice-President,
United Service Institution of India.

Dated 17-6-49.

Confirmed.
Kalwant Singh
President.

31.10.49.

Annexure "A" vide para 5 of the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting on 29th March 1949.

Amendments to the Rules and Bye-laws (1938) of the U.S.I.

Page 2, Section IV - PATRONS

Delete paras 1 and 2 and substitute the following:-

"2. The following shall be invited to be Patron and Vice-Patrons of the Institution ex-officio:

PATRON

His Excellency the Governor-General of India

VICE-PATRONS

Governors of Provinces
Rajpramukhs of Unions
Hon'ble the Defence Minister, and
Commanders-in-Chief of the ~~Army~~ Army, Navy, and Air Force"

Page 2, Section V - GOVERNMENT

Rule 1 - Delete lines 1 to 7 and substitute:

"1. The Government of the Institution shall be vested in a Council composed of twenty members, of whom five shall be ex-officio, three representative and twelve elected. There shall be a President and two Vice-Presidents.

Ex-officio Members

(The Chief of the General Staff, the Chief of Staff Navy, the Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, the Commandant, Staff College Wellington, and the Joint Secretary, Ministry of Defence shall be the ex-officio members.

The offices of the President and the Vice-Presidents shall be held in turn by the first three of the ex-officio members above named.

Representative Members

(The Director of Military Training, the Director of Naval Education, and the Director of Training Air Headquarters, ~~on their nearest equivalents~~, shall be the representative members.

Elected Members

The remaining members of the Council to make up the total of twenty shall be elected annually from amongst members of the Institution resident in India. The ex-officio or representative members of the Council, if not already members of the Institution, shall be invited to join."

Page 3

Delete the first paragraph

Page 3, para 2, lines 1 and 2

Delete "Simla (or Delhi during the winter months)" and substitute "India"

Page 3, Rule 2, lines 3 and 4

Delete "Simla or Delhi during the following twelve months" and substitute "India"

Line 6

Delete "resident in Simla or Delhi" and substitute "also resident in India"

Page 3, Rule 6, line 2

Delete "the Vice President" and substitute "one of the Vice Presidents"

Page 3, Rule 6, line 3

Delete "Vice President" and substitute "the Vice Presidents"

Page 4, lines 4 and 5

Delete "The Civil and Military Gazette"

Page 4, Rule 11

Line 2 - Delete "the Vice President" and substitute "one of the Vice Presidents"

Line 3 - Delete "Vice President" and substitute "the Vice Presidents"

Page 4, Rule 13

Line 6 - Delete "in Simla and Delhi"

Page 5, Section VI - MEMBERSHIP

Rule 1

Delete and substitute the following:

"1. (a) All officers belonging to the Armed Forces of India, or an Indian State, all Gazetted officials of the Central or Provincial Governments, and all officers belonging to the Armed Forces of the United Kingdom, or any Dominion or Colony shall be entitled to become members without ballot, on payment of the entrance fee and subscription.

(b) Any person mentioned in sub para (a) will be so entitled even though retired or released from Service.

(c) Other gentlemen may become members if proposed and seconded by a member of the Institution and approved by the Council."

Page 5, Section VI - MEMBERSHIP

Rule 3

Line 2 - Delete "(see para 4)"

Lines 6 - 8 -- Delete "if, since the date on which he ceased to be a member he has served or resided in India. In other cases no charge will be made".

Rule 4, Delete

Page 6, BYE-LAWS -- Contributions to the Journal

Para 1

Delete the existing para and substitute the following:

"1. Articles etc. should be typewritten, double spacing, on one side of the paper only, and submitted in duplicate to the Secretary. Articles etc. may vary in length from 2,000 words to 5,000 words. Acceptance of longer articles etc. will depend on the nature and standard of the contribution. Sketches and plans should be in one colour only, preferably black."

Page 8, Reading Room and Library

Para 8

Delete "Rs 2/8/-" and substitute "a fixed price"

Page 9, The MacGregor Memorial Medal

Para 2

(a) Delete "British or Indian"

(b) Delete "soldiers - British or Indian -" and substitute "other personnel"

Page 9, Para 3

Line 5 - Delete "a soldier" and substitute "personnel mentioned in 2(b) above".

Page 9, Para 4

Delete and substitute:-

"The award of medals is made by the Commander-in-Chief of the Service concerned on the recommendation of the Council of the United Service Institution of India".

Page 9, Para 5

(a) Delete "Officers and other ranks" and substitute "Service personnel"

(b) Delete "Officers and other ranks" and substitute "Service personnel".

Delete "Indian Air Force" and substitute "Royal Indian Air Force".

Note:- Reconstruct as follows:-

"The term "Indian Army" includes the Indian Auxiliary Forces, Territorial Army, Militias, Levies, Military Police and Military Corps under local Governments."

Page 9, Para 6 and footnote

Delete and substitute as follows:

"The medal may be worn in uniform by soldiers, airmen, and ratings of the Indian Armed Forces on ceremonial parades, in such manner as may be prescribed under their respective regulations."

Page 9, Para 8, - Delete

Page 10 - Gold Medal Prize Essay

Delete para 1 and substitute:-

"1. The Secretary shall circulate members of the Council in May for suggestions for subjects for the Gold Medal Prize Essay of the following year. At the annual meeting of the Council members will choose which of the subjects proposed shall be selected. The subject or subjects chosen will be published in the Journal".

Page 10, Para 2 - Sub para (i), line 3

Delete "His Majesty's Forces" and substitute "the Defence Forces of India, the United Kingdom and the Dominions".

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA

AGENDA for a meeting of the Executive Committee to be held in Air Vice-Marshal Mukerjee's room, Air Headquarters, New Delhi at 3 p.m. on Thursday 27th October 1949.

1. To confirm minutes of Executive Committee meeting held on 29th October 1948.

2. Report of Progress of Institution during 1948/49.

3. To consider Auditors' report for 1948.

4. To consider Budget for 1949.

5. To consider recommendations for a subject for the Gold Medal Essay Competition 1949/50.

6. Defaulting members.

7. To consider any other business.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA

Minutes of a Meeting of the Executive Committee held in Air Vice-Marshal Mukerjee's room, Air Headquarters, New Delhi, at 3 P.M., on Thursday 27th October 1949.

PRESENT:

Air Vice-Marshal S. Mukerjee, OBE (Chairman)
Commodore H. Drew, CBE, DSC, RN
Air Commodore A.M. Engineer, DFC
Lieut.-Cdr. K.V. Cherian, RINVR (Secretary)

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1. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on 29th October 1948 were read and confirmed.

2. MATTERS ARISING

The existing scale of pay of Rs 100-10-200 for a librarian having failed to attract a suitable incumbent, the Committee agreed to revise it to Rs 100-8-140-10-250, which is the scale for librarians of the third grade in the Government of India offices, with the usual allowances.

The Committee approved of increments of Rs 4 and Rs 3 respectively per month to the two Chaprassis Nafru and Ram Pratap with retrospective effect from 1st June 1949.

1st Indian President visit to U.S.!

3. PROGRESS REPORT

The Secretary reported that in 1948 the number of new members and messes enrolled was 601. At the same time resignations and deaths, disbandment of units, closing down of messes, and 205 members written off by the Executive Committee in 1948 (Minutes of the last Executive Committee Meeting refers), accounted for a loss of 506 members. The net increase for the year was thus 95.

From 1st January to 18th October 1949 a further 226 new members and messes were enrolled. Of these 20 were life members.

The Committee felt that considering the unsettled conditions during the period of the report the progress was satisfactory.

4. AUDITORS' REPORT

The Auditors' Report for 1948 was examined and approved.

5. BUDGET

The anticipated income and expenditure for 1949 was submitted by the Secretary and approved.

6. GOLD MEDAL ESSAY COMPETITION

It was decided that the subject to be set for the 1950 competition should be discussed at the Council Meeting to be held on 28th October 1949.

7. DEFAULTING MEMBERS

The Secretary reported that as the result of the departure of more British officers and demobilisation etc. the number of members in arrears for 1948 was 202. Including two officers whose Entrance Fees were not received the sum involved was Rs 2040. In view of the fact that nearly all the officers in the list submitted by the Secretary were no longer in India, the Committee decided that the amount should be written off if the arrears were not cleared by 31st December 1949.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

In the absence of a full-time librarian, Mr. Sardar Singh, who assisted part-time for four months from July to October 1949, was sanctioned an honorarium of Rs 200 in all.

The Chief Clerk, Mr. K.L. Bedi, who had to work over-time when the Institution was under-staffed, was sanctioned an increment of Rs 10/- as a special case with effect from 1st November 1949 apart from his normal annual increment.

S. Mukerjee.

Air Vice-Marshal,
Chairman,
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA.

FORECAST OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR 1949.

RECEIPTS.	Anticipated 1949	Actual 1948
Subscriptions.	24,000	(40,362)
Interest on Investments.	3,000	(2,706)
Sale of Catalogues.	35	(83)
Sale of Journals.	700	(532)
Advertisements in Journal.	2,000	(3,005)
Government Grant-in-Aid.	6,000	(6,000)
ESTIMATED DEFICIT.	4,390	
	40,125	

EXPENDITURE.	Anticipated 1949	Actual 1948
Office Establishment.	11,800	(11,075)
Provident Fund (contributions and interest)	400	(281)
Gratuity to Peons.	75	(78)
Office Contingencies.	1,000	(766)
Printing & Stationery.	1,000	(1,038)
New Library Catalogue.	6,000	(300)
Purchase of new books for Library.	800	(848)
Purchase of Periodicals.	350	(410)
Repairs to Building.	700	(106)
Journal Printing etc.	9,000	(22,206)
Journal - Premia.	2,000	(3,611)
Journal - Postage & Freight.	1,500	(2,621)
Postage, Telegrams and Telephone.	2,400	(1,580)
Prize Essay Competition.	500	(1,149)
Electricity.	300	(256)
Exchange on Cheques and Bank Charges.	200	(194)
Insurance, Rent and Taxes.	500	(432)
Audit Fee.	300	(300)
Depreciation.	1,300	(1,251)
	40,125	

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA

AGENDA for the Annual Council Meeting to be held in the Ministry of Defence Committee Room (next to M of D Library) South Block, New Delhi at 3 p.m. on Friday, 28th October, 1949.

1. To read and confirm the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 29th March 1949.

2. To receive the report of the President for 1948.

3. To consider, and if thought fit, approve the statement of accounts and auditors' report for 1948.

4. To discuss and decide upon a subject for the Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1949/50. (Any suggestions which members of the Council might wish to make will be welcomed).

5. To select and appoint three Judges for the 1948/49 Gold Medal Essay Competition.

6. To select and appoint three Judges for The Bawa Bachittar Singh Prize Essay, 1950.

7. To select and appoint three Judges for the C-in-C Indian Army's Silver Medal Essay, 1950.

8. To elect a President of the Council for 1949/50.

9. To elect a Chairman and four members of the Council to the Executive Committee 1949/50.

10. To receive apologies for absence.

11. To consider any other business.

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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA

Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held in the Ministry of Defence Committee Room, South Block, New Delhi, on Friday, 28th October 1949, at 3 P.M.

PRESENT

Major-General Kalwant Singh (President)
Air Vice-Marshal S. Mukerjee, OBE (Vice-President)
Commodore H. Drew, CBE, DSC, RN (Vice-President)
Major-General J.H. Wilkinson, CIE
Air Commodore A.M. Engineer, DFC
Air Commodore Narendra
Air Commodore D.A.R. Nanda
Captain R.D. Katari, RIN
Instructor Captain W.I. Saxton, CB, OBE, RN
Group Captain Arjan Singh
Lieut.-Commander K.V. Cherian, RINVR, (Secretary)

1. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

The proceedings began with Air Vice-Marshal Mukerjee in the Chair.

The Chairman said that the new Council which was meeting under the revised rules had to elect a President and so item No. 8 on the agenda would be taken up first.

Major-General Kalwant Singh was unanimously elected President for 1949-50 and took the Chair from the Vice-President.

2. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 29th March 1949 were read and confirmed.

3. MATTERS ARISING

The Secretary was authorised to print the amended Rules and Bye-laws with such corrections as may be necessary (e.g., changes in designation like "Governor General" and omission of the prefix "Royal") following the adoption of the new Constitution for India.

In view of the enlarged electorate, and consequent increased expenditure on elections to the Council, it was decided to discontinue the practice of using reply-paid postcards and envelopes when addressing members all over India for the annual elections.

The resignation of Major P.C. Bharucha, the Assistant Secretary, with effect from 15th May 1949 was accepted.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President's Report for 1948 was received.

5. ACCOUNTS

The Statement of Accounts and Auditors' Report for 1948, which had been examined by the Executive Committee, were approved.

6. SUBJECT FOR THE GOLD MEDAL ESSAY COMPETITION 1950

After considering the suggestions received for a subject for this competition, it was decided to authorise the Executive Committee to select a suitable subject.

7. BAWA BACHITTAR SINGH PRIZE

It was decided that the President should convey the thanks of the Council to Bawa Bachittar Singh for his donation (through the Ministry of Defence) of Rs 750 for an essay competition on a subject relating to defence to be conducted by the U.S.I. The subject is:-

"India's declared policy in regard to her relations with foreign countries is to strive for world peace, to support the United Nations, to avoid all entanglement with Power Blocs and to use her good offices for the liberation of dependent peoples.

"Her geographical position is of immense strategic importance.

"She is greatly dependent, for some years upon imports of certain main commodities such as fuel, machinery, munitions, food. Taking account of these factors, develop your recommendation as to the most suitable balance of Defence Forces in peace-time, for her protection in War".

8. CARIAPPA MEDAL

The offer of a Silver Medal by General Cariappa, C.-in-C. Indian Army and the outgoing President of the U.S.I., for an essay competition on the following subject was gratefully accepted by the Council:-

"The History of a country has little value if it does not tell us about the efforts of her people to achieve a higher civilization, to reach better standards and to live a richer life. History is the record of the social endeavour of the people.

"Many people consider that history, as usually taught, lays too great stress on dates and events, with the result that little attention is paid to the evolution of society and the attainments of the people.

"What are your views on the teaching of history generally, and in particular to the ratings and other ranks of the three Services?"

It was decided that the competition should bear the name of the donor.

9. JUDGES FOR ESSAY COMPETITIONS

The following were invited to be judges for the Gold Medal Essay Competition 1948-49, Bawa Bachittar Singh Prize Essay 1950, and the Cariappa Medal Essay 1950:-

Air Commodore Narendra
Instructor Captain W.I. Saxton
Colonel G.G. Bewoor
R.K. Ramadhyani, Esq., I.C.S. (Additional Judge)

10. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Air Vice-Marshal Mukerjee was elected Chairman of the Executive Committee for 1949-50, and was requested to nominate four members to the Committee from among members of the Council resident in New Delhi.

11. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from

Dr. Amaranatha Jha
R.K. Ramadhyani, Esq.
Major-General W.D.A. Lentaigne
Major-General S.P.P. Thorat
Major-General J.N. Chaudhuri
Colonel G.G. Bewoor, and
Captain (E) D.N. Mukerji, RIN

12. OTHER BUSINESS

The Council passed a resolution of condolence on the untimely demise of Major-General Atma Singh as the result of a fatal car accident.

Major-General P.N. Thapar was co-opted to the Council in place of the late Major-General Atma Singh.

The Secretary's work during the year was appreciated by the Council who desired that this should be recorded.

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President,
The United Service Institution of India.

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THE UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTION OF INDIA & PAKISTAN

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 1948

GENERAL

It may be said that during the year the Institution functioned jointly for India and Pakistan. Towards the close of the year, however, it transpired that the Government of Pakistan could not be officially associated with the U.S.I. The situation had to be reviewed by the Council. Action taken in this regard belongs properly to the next annual report.

MEMBERSHIP

During the year 601 new members and messes were enrolled, mostly from India. (Between 1st January and 30th September 1949, a further 203 new members and messes have joined).

The departure of more British officers and demobilisation continued to affect our membership. (205 members were struck off the roll by the Executive Committee for arrears of subscription for 1946 and 1947. A similar number is affected for 1948). The net increase for the 12 months ending 31st December 1948 is thus 95.

The comparative figures under the various categories are as follows:-

	Dec. 31, 1947	Dec. 31, 1948
Life Members	396	463
Ordinary Members	2,279	2,301
Non-Voting Members	7	6
Messes	361	376
Clubs	30	22
	3,073	3,168

FINANCE

The Auditors' Report is laid before members of the Council and the Statement of Accounts is also before you. A copy has been issued to all Members of the Institution. The Auditors' Report certifies that the Balance Sheet has been compiled from the books of the Institution, and correctly exhibits the state of affairs of the Institution.

Income during the year amounted to Rs 52,970, compared with Rs 48,044 during 1947. Expenditure decreased from Rs 52,280 to Rs 49,397.

Statement of income for the year shows that subscriptions increased by Rs 11,200 due to the re-introduction of Entrance Fee from 1st January 1948 and more life members registered in the year.

On the expenditure side the cost of printing the U.S.I. Journal increased by Rs 1,719. A sum of Rs 1,827 was written off by the Executive Committee as arrears of subscriptions. Expenses under Gold Medal Essay Competition accounted for Rs 685.

While we were preparing a case for an increase in the Government grant-in-aid to the Institution, this was reduced from Rs 9,000 to Rs 6,000 by the Government of India which felt this was a liability to be shared between India and Pakistan in the proportion of 2 & 1. A case has since been put up not only to have the former grant restored but also enhanced to Rs 20,000.

The financial position of the Institution shows that investments stand at Rs 83,409, the market value as per certificate from Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla, being Rs 83,827. Cash balances on 31st December 1948 amounted to Rs 33,613. The book value of the land, building, library, furniture and fittings and trophies amounts to Rs 50,115. Other sundry assets amount to Rs 4,503.

Liabilities include Rs 22,300, made up of employees' provident fund (Rs 2,514); gratuity to peons (Rs 1,134); and bills unpaid (Rs 15,107) (Rs 14,374 printing, premia and postage of July and October issues of the Journal; Rs 400 for Prize Essay Competition; Rs 300 audit fee and Rs 33 for electricity).

LIBRARY

The library catalogue last printed in 1940 is now exhausted. While preparing the new catalogue, the library has been overhauled. It has now over five thousand volumes.

JOURNAL

The Civil & Military Gazette Press in Lahore had been printing the Journal for the last 22 years. The printing had to be transferred from Lahore to Delhi towards the end of the year. This created more problems than it solved due to difficulties with the new printers. But the standard of the Journal has been kept up. It is greatly appreciated by members not only in the three Services in India but also abroad.

GOLD MEDAL ESSAY COMPETITION

The subject for the Gold Medal Prize Essay for 1947-48 was "Are Officers' Messes Suitable for Indian Conditions?" and entries closed on 1st November 1948. The judges did not award the Gold Medal this time but recommended to the Council monetary awards, i.e. Rs 250/= to Colonel D.K. Palit for the best entry and Rs 150/= to S/Ldr. B.K. Roy RIAF the runner-up.

The Council is most grateful to Major General G.S. Dhillon, Air Commodore D.A.R. Nanda RIAF and Instructor Captain W.I. Saxton, CB, OBE, RN, for acting as Judges in the competition.

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CAPITAL & LIABILITIES.				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
CAPITAL :									
As on 1st January, 1948			.. ..	1,45,767	12	1			
Add : Surplus for the year ended 31st December 1948 as per Revenue account				3,573	5	9	1,49,341	1	10
EMPLOYEES' PROVIDENT FUND :			.. ..				2,514	0	0
PEONS' GRATUITY FUND :			.. ..				1,134	0	0
LIABILITIES									
For Electricity				33	7	0			
For Audit Fees				300	0	0			
For Journal Printing			..	11,540	3	4			
For Journal Premia			..	1,963	10	8			
For Journal Postage			..	870	4	0			
For Prize Competition			..	400	0	0	15,107	9	0
MEMBERS AT CREDIT			.. ..			..	3,544	0	0

Examined and found correct in accordance with books and information supplied.

AIYAR & Co.,
Registered Accountants, Auditors.

SIMLA :
Dated the 13th June, 1949.

Total Rs. 1,71,640 10 10

OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN, SIMLA.
at 31st December, 1948.

			Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
PROPERTY & ASSETS				
LAND AT COST :				16,631 0 0
BUILDINGS :				
As at 1st January, 1948			15,793 0 0	
Less : Depreciation @ 1½ per cent ..			237 0 0	15,556 0 0
LIBRARY BOOKS :				
As at 1st January, 1948			9,124 14 1	
Additions during the year			847 8 6	
			9,972 6 7	
Less : Depreciation @ 5 per cent on opening balance	456 4 0			
50 per cent on additions ..	423 12 0		880 0 0	9,092 6 7
FURNITURE & FITTINGS :				
As at 1st January, 1948			1,918 0 0	
Less : Depreciation @ 6 per cent ..			115 0 0	1,803 0 0
MAGIC LANTERN :				
As at 1st January, 1948			256 0 0	
Less : Depreciation @ 7½ per cent ..			19 0 0	237 0 0
PICTURES and SCULPTURES :				3,682 5 8
MEDALS and TROPHIES :				3,113 8 3
SUBSCRIBERS AT DEBIT :				2,782 8 0
ADVERTISERS AT DEBIT :				890 0 0
SUSPENSE :				54 0 0
INVESTMENTS : (In safe custody with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla)				
Rs. 3,000/- 4 per cent Bombay Port Trust Debentures @ Rs. 90/-			2,700 0 0	
Rs. 8,000/- 4 per cent 1960-70 Loan @ Rs. 103/-			8,240 0 0	
Rs. 5,000/- 4 per cent 1960-70 Loan @ Rs. 107/-			5,350 0 0	
Rs. 12,400/- 2¾ per cent 1962 Loan @Rs. 101/-/4			12,526 8 0	
Rs. 10,000/- 4½ per cent 1955-60 Loan @ Rs. 120/-/-			12,000 0 0	
Rs. 8,000/- 3 per cent Conversion Loan 1946 @ Rs. 94/11/-			7,575 0 0	
Rs. 15,500/- 3 per cent 1963-65 Loan @ Rs. 98/-			15,190 0 0	
Rs. 15,000/- 3 per cent 1970-75 Loan @ Rs. 105/5/-			15,796 14 0	
Rs. 4,000/- 3 per cent 1949-52 Loan @ Rs. 100/12/5			4,030 15 9	83,409 5 9
INTEREST ACCRUED ON INVESTMENTS : ..				232 8 0
PREPAID EXPENSES : (Telephone)				204 0 0
LIBRARY CATALOGUES :				340 0 0
CASH and OTHER BALANCES :				
Balance with Lloyds Bank Ltd., London ..			480 4 6	
Balance with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla in Current Account			18,994 1 1	
Balance with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla in Savings Account			10,380 12 0	
Balance with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla in Savings Account (Employees' Provident Fund and Peons' Gratuity Fund)			3,276 11 0	
Cash with Secretary			301 2 0	
Cash with Assistant Secretary			180 2 0	33,613 0 7
		Total Rs.		1,71,640 10 10

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			Rs.	A.	P.
To Establishment			11,075	0	0
" Contribution to Employees' Provident Fund with interest			281	0	0
" Contribution to Peons' Gratuity Fund with Interest			78	0	0
" Contingencies			766	0	6
" Printing and Stationery			1,037	12	0
" Insurance, Rates and Taxes			432	1	0
" Electricity			256	1	0
" Postage and Telegrams			1,579	12	6
" Exchange and Bank Commission			193	10	2
" Repairs to Buildings			105	12	0
" Audit Fees			300	0	0
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Printing		22,205 11 3			
Premia		3,611 10 8			
Postage		2,620 10 0	28,437	15	11
" Arrears of Subscriptions written off			2,047	0	0
" Purchase of Periodicals			407	9	0
" Prizes and Competitions			1,148	12	0
" DEPRECIATION:					
On Buildings		237 0 0			
On Library Books		880 0 0			
On Furniture and Fittings		115 0 0			
On Magic Lantern		19 0 0	1,251	0	0
" Balance being Surplus transferred to Balance Sheet.			3,573	5	9
Total Rs.			52,970	11	10

SIMLA,
Dated the 13th June, 1949.

for the year.

OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN, SIMLA.
ended 31st December, 1948.

				Rs.	A.	P.
By	Grant from Government of India	..		6,000	0	0
"	Members' Subscriptions ..	..		24,781	15	0
"	Life Subscriptions ..	..		11,400	0	0
"	Entrance Fees ..	..		4,180	0	0
"	Advertisement in Journal ..	..	3,234 13 0			
	Less : Commission paid ..	..	229 0 0	3,005	13	0
"	Sale of Journals ..	..		532	7	0
"	Sale of Periodicals ..	..		159	12	0
"	Interest on Investments ..	..		2,706	0	0
"	Other Interest ..	..		141	11	0
"	Recoveries on Books lost ..	..		57	1	10
"	Tactical Schemes ..	..		6	0	0
	Total Rs.			52,970	11	10

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CAPITAL & LIABILITIES

	Rs.	A.	P.
BALANCE OF FUND :			
As at 1st January, 1948	6,619	13	1
Add:—Excess of interest collected over expenditure	204	8	0
	6,824	5	1
Total Rs. ..	6,824	5	1

CASH ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1948.

To balance on 1st January, 1948 with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla in Current Account ..	1,582	13	1
" Interest on Investments	210	0	0
Total Rs. ..	1,792	13	1

Simla, dated the
13th June, 1949.

OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN, SIMLA.
Memorial Fund)
31st December, 1948.

		Rs. A. P.
PROPERTY & ASSETS		
Investments :- (in safe custody with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla)		
Rs. 6,300/- 3 per cent Government Loan 1946 @ Rs. 58/- (approx.)	3,586 0 0	
Rs. 1,400/- 3 per cent 1963-65 Loan Rs. 98/- ..	1,379 0 0	5,037 0 0
Balance with Lloyds Bank Ltd., Simla : in Current account)		1,787 5 1
Total Rs.		6,824 5 1
By Bank Charges		5 8 0
,, balance on 31st December 1948 with Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Simla, in Current account		1,787 5 1
Total Rs.		1,792 13 1

Examined and found correct in accordance with the books and information supplied.

AIYAR & Co.,
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THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA

AGENDA for a meeting of the Executive Committee to be held in Air Vice-Marshal Mukerjee's room, Air Headquarters, New Delhi at 11 a.m. on Thursday 11th May 1950.

1. To confirm minutes of Executive Committee meeting held on 27th October 1949.
2. To decide on a subject for the Gold Medal Essay Competition 1949/50.
3. To consider Budget for 1950.
4. To consider any other business.

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UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA

Minutes of a Meeting of the Executive Committee held in Air Vice-Marshal Mukerjee's room, Air Headquarters, New Delhi, at 11 a.m. on Thursday 11th May 1950.

PRESENT:-

Air Vice-Marshal S. Mukerjee, O.B.E. (Chairman)
Colonel G.G. Bewoor
Instructor Captain W.I. Saxton, C.B., O.B.E., R.N.
Group-Captain H.N. Chatterjee, D.F.C.
Lieut.-Commander K.V. Cherian, I.N. (Secretary)

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1. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on 27th October 1949 were read and confirmed.

2. MATTERS ARISING

The Secretary was asked to write to defaulting members suggesting that it would be more convenient for them to remit their annual subscriptions through bankers orders.

The Secretary reported that Mr. K.B. Talwar was appointed Librarian w.e.f. 20th February 1950 in the sanctioned scale, but that he had since gone on leave and appeared unlikely to return. The Committee decided to terminate the services of Mr. Talwar and again to advertise the post.

3. GOLD MEDAL ESSAY COMPETITION 1950

The Council having authorised the Committee to decide on a suitable subject for the Gold Medal Essay Competition for 1950, chose the following subject:-

"India can ill afford the present cost of her Defence Forces. It has been suggested that they could be used for nation-building and revenue-earning activities. Discuss whether this is feasible and give the possible methods by which the Defence Forces might, without detriment to their efficiency in war, undertake such activities."

4. BUDGET

The anticipated income and expenditure for 1950 submitted by the Secretary was approved, after raising the amount for the purchase of books from Rs 1,000 to Rs 1,500.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

It was decided to have combined issues of the Journal for January-April and July-October for the current year.

The Secretary reported that a suggestion had been received that N.C.C. officers should be allowed to compete for the Gold Medal Essay Competition. The Committee agreed that this question as well as whether N.C.C. officers should be made eligible for membership of the Institution, and also whether only members of the Institution should compete for the Gold Medal Essay Competition, should be referred to the next Council meeting.

Air Vice-Marshal,
Chairman,
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FORECAST OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR 1950.

RECEIPTS.

	Anticipated 1950	Actual 1949
Subscriptions.	28,000	(29062)
Interest on Investments.	3,000	(2,856)
Sale of Catalogues.	500	(38)
Sale of Journals.	700	(642)
Sale of Periodicals.	100	(128)
Advertisement in Journal.	1,000	(1,411)
Government Grant-in-Aid.	9,000	(9,000)
	42,300	

EXPENDITURE.

	Anticipated 1950	Actual. 1949
Office Establishment.	12,500	(11,670)
Provident Fund (contributions and interest)	400	(384)
Gratuity to Peons.	90	(85)
Office Contingencies.	1,000	(865)
Printing & Stationery.	1,000	(1,314)
New Library Catalogue.	6,000	(370)
Purchase of new books for Library.	800	(686)
Purchase of Periodicals.	300	(287)
Repairs to Building.	300	(733)
Journal Printing etc.	9,500	(9,663)
Journal - Premia.	2,000	(2,078)
Journal - Postage & Freight.	1,300	(1,121)
Postage, Telegrams & Telephone.	2,000	(2,221)
Prize Essay Competition.	500	(300)
Electricity.	200	(79)
Exchange on Cheques and Bank Charges.	200	(151)
Insurance, Rent and Taxes.	450	(442)
Audit Fee.	300	(300)
Depreciation.	1,200	(1,156)
	40,040	
ESTIMATED SURPLUS.	2,260	
	42,300	